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# Appropriations for 1892.

## I.—FOREIGN MISSIONS.

<b>1. Africa :</b> For the work.....	\$2,500	
For Contingent Fund.....	500	
For teacher for Monrovia Seminary, at the disposal of the Board.....	1,000	
For self-supporting schools in Liberia.....	1,200	
For arrears of salary, Monrovia Seminary.....	200	
		<b>\$5,400</b>
<b>2. South America :</b> For the work (including \$5,200 for Peru), schools, press, Transit Fund, and moving expenses, to be distributed by Bishops Walden and Warren, the Secretaries, and Dr. Drees, with the approval of the Board.....	\$50,545	
For all school property, on condition of the contribution of the same amount in South America.....	10,000	
		<b>\$60,545</b>
<b>3. China :</b> (1.) Foochow: For the work.....	\$21,600	
For Kucheng Hospital.....	4,000	
(2.) CENTRAL CHINA: For the work.....	39,000	
For house at Nanking.....	2,200	
(3.) NORTH CHINA: For the work.....	41,872	
For property at Tientsin.....	1,400	
On purchase of Woman's Foreign Missionary Society property.....	1,000	
For lot at Tsun-hua.....	200	
For dormitory at Peking.....	4,000	
(4.) WEST CHINA: For the work.....	6,500	
		<b>\$121,772</b>
<b>4. Germany :</b> For the work.....	\$22,000	
For interest on Berlin debt.....	600	
For debts.....	7,000	
For additional instruction in Mission Institute.....	1,000	
For purchase of property for Martin Mission Institute, on condition that \$10,000 be raised elsewhere.....	5,000	
		<b>\$35,600</b>
<b>5. Switzerland :</b> For the work.....	\$6,500	
For debts.....	3,000	
		<b>\$9,500</b>
<b>6. Scandinavia :</b> (1.) NORWAY.....	\$14,000	
(2.) SWEDEN, including Finland.....	25,600	
(3.) DENMARK.....	8,570	
		<b>\$48,170</b>
<b>7. India :</b> (1.) NORTH INDIA: For the work.....	\$77,000	
For church site at Muttra.....	1,667	
For Balandshahr.....	333	
(2.) SOUTH INDIA.....	22,600	
(3.) BENGAL.....	22,129	
		<b>\$123,729</b>
All the appropriations for India to be re-distributed by the Finance Committees and Bishop Thoburn, with the approval of the Board.		
<b>8. Malaysia :</b> For the work, to be re-distributed by the Finance Committee and Bishop Thoburn, with the approval of the Board.....		<b>\$9,000</b>
<b>9. Bulgaria :</b> For the work, to be re-distributed by the Secretaries and Bishops Mallalieu and Walden.....	\$20,000	
For property at the disposal of the Board.....	2,000	
		<b>\$22,000</b>

<b>10. Italy :</b> For the work.....	\$34,334	
For payment on Turin property.....	5,000	
For interest on Piazza Poli, Rome.....	680	
For interest and part payment of debt on Via Venti Settembre property.....	3,620	
		<b>\$43,634</b>
<b>11. Mexico :</b> For the work, to be re-distributed by the Mission, with the approval of Bishop Fowler.....	\$51,000	
For Puebla Church.....	3,000	
For the press debt, at the disposal of the Board.....	5,000	
		<b>\$59,000</b>
<b>12. Japan :</b> For the work.....	\$61,000	
For Kanda Church, in Tokyo, on plans approved by the Board, at the disposal of the Board.....	5,000	
		<b>\$66,000</b>
<b>13. Korea :</b> For the work.....	\$15,062	
For return of H. G. Appenzeller.....	1,000	
For sending out new missionary.....	1,500	
		<b>\$17,562</b>
<b>14. Lower California :</b> For the work.....		<b>\$1,000</b>
Total for Foreign Missions.....		<b>\$622,912</b>

## II.—DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

### Class No. 1.

#### WELSH :

Northern New York.....	\$400
Philadelphia.....	600
Rock River.....	600
Wisconsin.....	250
Wyoming.....	400
Total.....	<b>\$2,250</b>

#### SCANDINAVIAN :

Austin (Swedish).....	\$2,700
California (Norwegian), at disposal of resident Bishop...	1,500
California (Swedish).....	1,500
Colorado (Swedish).....	500
Louisiana (Swedish), at disposal of resident Bishop...	750
New York (Swedish).....	1,000
New York East (Norwegian).....	2,200
New York East (Swedish), of which \$500 is for new work	2,900
New England (Swedish), of which \$700 is for new work	4,500
New Eng. Southern (Swedish), of which \$500 is for new work at Pontiac and vicinity.....	1,900
North-west Norwegian and Danish.....	6,000
For new work in Montana, available at once.....	800
North-west Swedish, of which \$1,500 is for new work....	11,000
Norwegian and Danish.....	9,000
Philadelphia (Swedish).....	1,000
Puget Sound (Swedish).....	2,500
South'n California (Swedish).....	1,500
Utah (for Scandinavian work)	5,400
Utah (for Scandinavian schools).....	1,800
Total.....	<b>\$57,950</b>

#### GERMAN :

California German.....	\$5,000
Central German (of which \$500 is for new work).....	5,000
Chicago German.....	4,250
East German (of which \$500 is for new work in Syracuse)	6,500
Northern German.....	4,000
North Pacific German (of which \$500 is for new work)	5,000
North-west German.....	4,000
Saint Louis German.....	4,000
Southern German.....	5,500
West German.....	6,800
For new work in Oklahoma, to be available January 1, 1892.....	200
Total.....	<b>\$50,250</b>

#### FRENCH :

Louisiana (at disposal of resident Bishop).....	\$1,700
New England.....	1,200
New England Southern (of which \$800 is for new work)	1,200
New Hampshire.....	1,200
North-west Indiana.....	500
Rock River.....	1,000
To be available January 1, 1892, at disposal of resident Bishop.....	475
Total.....	<b>\$7,275</b>

#### SPANISH :

New Mexico (Spanish).....	\$12,000
New Mexico (Spanish), for schools.....	2,000
Total.....	<b>\$14,000</b>

**CHINESE:**

California.....	\$8,900
New York.....	1,000
Oregon.....	500
Puget Sound.....	500
Southern California.....	500
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$11,400</b>

**JAPANESE:**

California.....	\$5,000
Honolulu District (at the disposal of the Board, for Japanese work in California).....	2,000
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$7,000</b>

**BOHEMIAN AND HUNGARIAN:**

Baltimore.....	\$600
East Ohio.....	2,000
Philadelphia (for Shenandoah and vicinity, at disposal of resident Bishop).....	500
Pittsburg.....	1,250
Rock River (of which \$1,000 is for new work).....	3,000
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$7,350</b>

**ITALIAN:**

Louisiana (at disposal of resident Bishop).....	\$1,300
New York.....	1,000
Philadelphia (at disposal of resident Bishop).....	1,500
Rock River.....	950
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$4,750</b>

**PORTUGUESE:**

New England Southern.....	\$800
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$168,025</b>

**Class No. 2.**

**AMERICAN INDIANS:**

California: To be available at once.....	\$400
For the next year.....	400
Central New York: For Onondagas.....	600
For Oneidas.....	200
Columbia River.....	1,000
Detroit.....	600
Genesee: Tonawanda.....	300
Cattaraugus.....	200
Michigan.....	600
Minnesota.....	500
Navajo Mission.....	2,500
Northern New York.....	600
Oregon: To be available at once.....	400
For the next year.....	400
Puget Sound.....	350
Wisconsin.....	300
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$9,350</b>

**Class No. 3.**

**FOR CONFERENCES NORTH OF THE POTOMAC AND OHIO, AND EAST OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER:**

Detroit.....	\$4,500
East Maine.....	2,000
Maine.....	1,500
Michigan.....	3,700
Available at once, to be administered by the Board for the two Northern districts.....	800
New Hampshire.....	1,500
Northern New York.....	1,500
Vermont.....	1,500
West Wisconsin.....	4,125
Wilmington.....	1,000
Wisconsin.....	4,500
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$26,625</b>

**Class No. 4.**

**FOR CONFERENCES IN IOWA AND KANSAS, AND STATES NORTH OF THEM, INCLUDING BLACK HILLS:**

Black Hills.....	\$5,000
For schools (at the disposal of the Board).....	1,000
Dakota.....	10,500
Des Moines (for work in Council Bluffs).....	1,000
Indian Mission.....	10,000
Kansas.....	1,800
Minnesota.....	10,600
To be available Jan. 1, 1892.....	400
Nebraska.....	2,800
North Dakota.....	10,000
North Nebraska.....	6,000
North-west Iowa.....	3,500
North-west Kansas.....	7,000
South Kansas.....	2,250
South-west Kansas.....	6,000
West Nebraska.....	10,000
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$87,850</b>

**Class No. 5.**

**WHITE WORK IN THE SOUTH:**

Alabama (of which 10 per cent. is for new work).....	\$3,500
Arkansas (of which 10 per cent. is for new work).....	6,000
Austin.....	5,000
Blue Ridge (of which 10 per cent. is for new work).....	4,500
Central Tennessee (of which 10 per cent. is for new work).....	3,700
Georgia (of which 10 per cent. is for new work).....	3,000
Holston (of which 10 per cent. is for new work).....	4,500
Kentucky.....	5,500
Missouri.....	4,000
St. John's River (of which 10 per cent. is for new work).....	3,600

Saint Louis.....	\$5,500
Virginia (of which 10 per cent. is for new work).....	4,500
West Virginia (of which 10 per cent. is for new work).....	6,000
Total.....	\$59,300

**Class No. 6.****COLORED WORK IN THE SOUTH:**

Central Alabama (of which 10 per cent. is for new work).....	\$3,400
Central Missouri.....	3,500
For colored work in Iowa, in case the General Conference attaches said work to this Conference.....	300
Delaware.....	850
For new work.....	400
East Tennessee.....	2,800
Florida.....	2,400
Lexington.....	3,300
Little Rock.....	3,250
Louisiana.....	6,000
Mississippi.....	2,600
North Carolina (of which \$500 is for new work).....	3,600
Savannah (of which \$500 is for new work).....	3,500
South Carolina (of which \$500 is for new work).....	4,500
Tennessee.....	2,500
Texas.....	4,000
Upper Mississippi.....	3,400
Washington (of which \$200 is for new work).....	2,400
West Texas.....	4,500
Total.....	\$57,200

**Class No. 7.****ROCKY MOUNTAIN:**

Arizona (of which \$500 is for new work).....	\$7,500
Colorado.....	9,100
Idaho.....	3,500
Montana.....	10,500
Nevada.....	4,200
Nevada (for schools, at the disposal of the Board).....	850
New Mexico (English).....	6,500
Available from Jan. 1, 1892	500
For schools, at the disposal of the Board for the debt on Albuquerque College.....	500
Utah (work).....	10,000
For schools.....	7,000

Wyoming (\$1,000 of which is for new work).....	\$6,500
Total.....	\$66,650

**Class No. 8.****PACIFIC COAST:**

California (of which \$1,000 is for Van Ness Ave. Church, available Jan. 1, 1892, at the disposal of the resident Bishop).....	\$8,000
Columbia River.....	6,500
Oregon.....	3,000
Puget Sound.....	5,400
To be available at once....	600
Southern California.....	6,500
Total.....	\$30,000
Total for Domestic Missions, including Missions in the United States administered as Foreign Missions.....	\$500,000

**III.—Miscellaneous.\***

1. Contingent Fund.....	\$25,000
2. Incidental Expenses.....	34,000
3. Office Expenses.....	25,000
4. For disseminating Missionary information.....	10,000
5. For purchase of Wuhu property	2,455
6. For payment of last quarter of Dalles Claim.....	6,000
Total.....	\$102,455

**IV.—Recapitulation.**

I. FOREIGN MISSIONS.....	\$622,912
II. DOMESTIC MISSIONS:	
Welsh Missions.....	\$2,250
Scandinavian Mis'ns.....	57,950
German Missions.....	50,250
French Missions.....	7,275
Spanish Missions.....	14,000
Chinese Missions.....	11,400
Japanese Missions.....	7,000
Bohemian & Hung'n.....	7,850
Italian.....	4,750
Portuguese.....	800
American Indian.....	9,350
English-speaking.....	827,625
	\$500,000
III. MISCELLANEOUS.....	102,455
Grand Total.....	\$1,225,367

**Re-appropriated.**

For property in South America...	\$8,000
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\*The *Contingent Fund* is used for the Missions only, never for administration (Art. XI, Constitution). *Incidental Expenses*.—These expenses last year were as follows: Special grants to various missions for repairs, moving expenses, etc., \$5,675.81; special allowances to various missions on account of fluctuations in the value of silver, \$4,892.21; special allowances by the Board for missionaries, their widows and children, \$2,410.05; outgoing and return expenses of missionaries and their families, \$3,490.37; Bishops' expenses visiting missions, \$3,221.93; General Committee expenses, 1890, \$2,016.53; postage, telegrams, expressage, legal and other services, fees, taxes, etc., \$1,460.63; interest, \$11,932.24; annuities, \$490; sundry allowances and expenses in connection with wills and legacies, \$8,872.54; protested note and checks, \$605.80; amounts credited as receipts of the Society through misunderstanding, \$482.01; total, \$45,550.12. *Office expenses* are for salaries, traveling expenses of the secretaries, stationery, etc., used in the office.

# CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS.

The General Committee, greatly regretting its inability to make the following appropriations which are very urgently needed, orders them to be placed in the list of appropriations, as contingent on special contributions for the purposes named, and earnestly calls the attention of our wealthy and benevolent people to these objects, in hope that they may be provided for by generous special gifts, without diminishing the regular contributions of the donors:

<b>SOUTH AMERICA:</b>		<b>KOREA:</b>	
For property in Asuncion.....	\$2,500	For a hospital.....	\$5,000
<b>NORTH INDIA:</b>		<b>NAVAJO MISSION:</b>	
For Lucknow College.....	5,000	For a church.....	3,000
For Bareilly Seminary.....	5,000	<b>CALIFORNIA:</b>	
For school-house at Nynee Tal.	1,667	For a lot for Japanese church,	
<b>ITALY:</b>		San Francisco.....	5,000
For the new property in Rome..	5,000	<b>Total of contingent approps.</b>	
<b>MEXICO:</b>		\$42,167	
For property in Puebla.....	5,000		
For schools.....	5,000		

# Apportionments for 1892.

Africa.....	\$110	Iowa.....	14,888	N.-W. Swedish...	6,453
Alabama.....	825	Italy.....	\$320	Norway.....	1,400
Arizona.....	790	Japan.....	275	Nor'n and Danish..	\$3,470
Arkansas.....	1,181	Kansas.....	9,075	Ohio.....	30,387
Austin.....	1,222	Kentucky.....	5,181	Oregon.....	5,365
Baltimore.....	46,593	Korea.....	60	Philadelphia.....	60,454
Bengal.....	300	Lexington.....	1,143	Pittsburg.....	30,975
Black Hills.....	790	Little Rock.....	550	Puget Sound.....	4,410
Blue Ridge.....	544	Louisiana.....	1,814	Rock River.....	33,909
Bulgaria.....	120	Lower California..	55	Saint John's River.	730
California.....	12,488	Maine.....	6,234	Saint Louis.....	12,408
California German..	1,003	Malaysia.....	110	Saint Louis German	7,135
Central Alabama....	645	Mexico.....	800	Savannah.....	1,597
Central China.....	400	Michigan.....	22,220	South America.....	500
Central German.....	9,523	Minnesota.....	15,273	South Carolina.....	5,404
Central Illinois....	22,522	Mississippi.....	855	South India.....	320
Central Missouri....	801	Missouri.....	6,432	South Kansas.....	6,976
Central New York..	23,357	Montana.....	1,856	S.-E. Indiana.....	13,246
Central Ohio.....	23,800	Nebraska.....	6,645	Southern California.	6,470
Central Penn'a....	42,536	Nevada.....	800	Southern German..	1,713
Central Tennessee..	848	Newark.....	41,204	Southern Illinois...	18,680
Chicago German....	5,194	New England.....	34,200	S.-W. Kansas.....	6,443
Cincinnati.....	31,239	N. Eng. Southern..	15,400	Sweden and Finland	4,200
Colorado.....	6,876	New Hampshire...	9,883	Switzerland.....	700
Columbia River....	2,738	New Jersey.....	34,303	Tennessee.....	878
Dakota.....	4,042	New Mexico (Eng.)	600	Texas.....	2,049
Delaware.....	3,295	" (Spanish).....	350	Troy.....	26,859
Denmark.....	800	New York.....	53,219	Upper Iowa.....	20,679
Des Moines.....	28,767	New York East....	55,065	Upper Mississippi..	905
Detroit.....	20,663	North Carolina....	843	Utah.....	1,000
East German.....	8,175	North China.....	600	Vermont.....	6,042
East Maine.....	3,663	North Dakota.....	3,889	Virginia.....	1,435
East Ohio.....	36,191	Northern German..	3,353	Washington.....	4,413
East Tennessee....	506	North'n New York.	15,732	West China.....	110
Erie.....	23,548	North India.....	800	West German.....	4,380
Florida.....	870	North Indiana.....	19,601	West Nebraska.....	2,253
Foehow.....	433	North Nebraska....	4,602	West Texas.....	1,639
Genesee.....	25,837	North Ohio.....	16,647	West Virginia.....	10,609
Georgia.....	402	North Pacific German	520	West Wisconsin....	8,322
Germany.....	2,035	N.-W. German.....	3,077	Wilmington.....	26,207
Holston.....	3,214	N.-W. Indiana.....	17,484	Wisconsin.....	10,970
Idaho.....	540	N.-W. Iowa.....	9,992	Wyoming (Mission)	550
Illinois.....	33,806	N.-W. Kansas.....	2,319	Wyoming.....	28,137
Indiana.....	16,166	North-west Norwe-			
Indian Mission....	300	gian and Danish..	380		\$1,288,696



# Annual Report

OF THE

TREASURER AND ASSISTANT TREASURER, NOV. 1, 1891.

CONFERENCES.	Apportionments.	Receipts from Nov. 1, 1890, to Oct. 31, 1891.	Increase.	Decrease.	Disbursements from Nov. 1, 1890, to Oct. 31, 1891.
Africa .....	\$110	.....	.....	.....	\$6,885 04
Alabama.....	663	\$510 00	\$57 00	.....	4,210 75
*Arizona.....	790	684 00	109 00	.....	7,295 75
Arkansas.....	1,421	988 56	.....	\$110 93	6,675 75
Austin.....	1,149	1,379 50	243 50	.....	6,638 05
Baltimore.....	44,269	42,541 45	1,718 14	.....	570 50
Bengal.....	215	.....	.....	92 00	20,491 25
*Black Hills.....	790	750 00	.....	.....	6,006 50
Blue Ridge.....	547	887 42	20 87	.....	4,906 00
*Bulgaria.....	110	.....	.....	.....	17,539 28
California.....	11,405	10,529 75	459 90	.....	22,340 75
*California German.....	625	943 00	.....	8 00	4,971 25
Central Alabama.....	659	291 96	19 83	.....	4,012 00
*Central China.....	210	76 12	.....	258 83	42,456 25
Central German.....	9,246	8,815 02	.....	43 54	4,716 00
Central Illinois.....	20,354	20,355 23	2,347 79	.....	350 00
Central Missouri.....	690	480 63	119 25	.....	3,150 00
Central New York.....	20,267	19,524 78	1,021 86	.....	700 00
Central Ohio.....	22,523	21,161 89	1,940 70	.....	.....
Central Pennsylvania.....	41,274	39,103 21	523 60	.....	50 00
Central Tennessee.....	579	550 00	.....	17 10	3,967 50
Chicago German.....	4,832	4,670 00	857 75	.....	3,803 00
China Special.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,129 19
Cincinnati.....	81,215	25,192 17	.....	727 23	.....
Colorado.....	7,245	5,411 95	.....	766 83	10,465 50
Columbia River.....	3,375	2,500 00	.....	357 50	6,730 50
Dakota.....	3,523	643 77	.....	2,069 15	10,622 25
Delaware.....	3,313	2,481 31	87 31	.....	883 87
*Denmark.....	750	.....	.....	841 43	6,679 08
Des Moines.....	24,712	26,192 66	3,606 00	.....	243 00
Detroit.....	20,431	16,493 45	340 01	.....	6,025 25
East German.....	7,795	7,844 00	855 00	.....	5,239 00
East Maine.....	3,504	2,822 45	164 86	.....	1,742 00
East Ohio.....	82,578	27,744 55	2,050 12	.....	1,220 00
East Tennessee.....	493	583 09	580 09	.....	2,994 25
Erie.....	21,763	17,677 14	845 75	.....	.....
Florida.....	824	792 30	121 83	.....	2,410 00
Foochow.....	433	302 93	9 82	.....	26,914 22
Genesee.....	23,743	22,833 50	1,240 16	.....	696 93
Georgia.....	849	241 25	.....	8 41	3,519 00
Germany.....	2,085	.....	.....	1,362 22	33,264 37
Amer. Bible Soc. Appro.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,000 00
Holston.....	3,143	1,270 44	271 44	.....	5,143 50
Idaho.....	485	376 47	6 02	.....	3,563 00
Illinois.....	81,353	30,060 93	2,719 86	.....	.....
*Indian Territory.....	110	.....	.....	92 00	6,883 25
Indiana.....	14,428	11,161 40	1,547 07	.....	.....
Iowa.....	13,809	12,015 76	1,144 12	.....	.....
Italy.....	320	293 00	72 60	.....	41,897 32
Japan.....	275	158 00	.....	163 65	65,365 06
Kansas.....	9,069	6,223 41	.....	256 87	7,138 75
Kentucky.....	5,410	3,108 42	.....	296 93	5,175 00
*Korea.....	60	.....	.....	.....	17,640 17
Lexington.....	1,092	566 87	2 11	.....	3,394 75
Little Rock.....	281	371 97	.....	404 23	3,921 25
Louisiana.....	1,657	1,248 72	219 04	.....	10,917 75
*Lower California.....	55	.....	.....	.....	700 00
Maine.....	6,292	5,021 19	.....	20 18	.....
Malaysia.....	110	.....	.....	.....	6,730 65
Mexico.....	800	514 56	.....	36 47	55,093 22
Michigan.....	19,184	15,513 84	1,493 91	.....	5,156 50
Minnesota.....	14,614	11,065 73	.....	1,608 54	9,731 25
Mississippi.....	1,580	464 80	.....	232 55	2,819 00
Missouri.....	6,923	5,339 05	753 93	.....	3,975 50
Montana.....	1,500	1,674 96	17 83	.....	10,030 00
*Navajo.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,515 18
Nebraska.....	7,261	4,045 41	.....	51 65	2,794 25
*Nevada.....	800	964 00	.....	65 70	5,819 00
Newark.....	39,960	36,474 67	.....	101 16	.....
New England.....	32,223	29,340 28	2,545 21	.....	4,376 00
New England Southern.....	16,066	13,937 06	.....	846 94	2,901 75

\*Miscellaneous.

**TREASURERS' REPORT—Continued.**

CONFERENCES.	Apportionments.	Receipts from Nov. 1, 1890, to Oct. 31, 1891.	Increase.	Decrease.	Disbursements from Nov. 1, 1890, to Oct. 31, 1891.
New Hampshire.....	\$8,658	\$8,442 08	...	\$508 46	\$2,890 00
New Jersey.....	82,870	80,970 66	\$1,261 87	...	...
*New Mexico English.....	550	684 55	82 70	...	6,750 00
*New Mexico Spanish.....	850	250 00	80 00	...	14,147 50
New York.....	52,646	46,120 78	...	1,195 24	8,282 50
New York East.....	59,088	48,856 80	641 00	...	4,275 25
North Carolina.....	736	571 00	10 85	...	4,101 25
*North China.....	520	1,078 09	1,078 09	...	40,672 11
North Dakota.....	3,204	3,698 85	665 85	...	8,516 25
Northern German.....	2,770	2,814 60	584 27	...	3,299 50
Northern New York.....	15,668	18,124 09	...	159 85	2,165 25
North India.....	800	...	...	595 60	67,892 45
North Indiana.....	17,866	18,811 80	...	273 12	...
North Nebraska.....	4,140	3,852 70	808 20	...	5,385 74
North Ohio.....	16,326	12,206 25	...	4 04	...
*North Pacific German.....	520	511 25	...	7 75	4,491 00
North-west German.....	2,431	2,729 61	508 01	...	4,500 75
North-west Indiana.....	15,542	13,839 18	2,898 57	...	500 00
North-west Iowa.....	8,188	8,649 10	1,512 23	...	3,518 25
North-west Kansas.....	3,500	1,570 29	...	538 49	8,865 25
*N.-W. Norwegian & Danish.....	880	437 00	55 00	...	4,946 25
North-west Swedish.....	5,880	5,762 11	278 01	...	9,480 50
Norway.....	1,400	1,320 16	82 97	...	14,081 26
Norwegian and Danish.....	3,180	3,221 67	210 62	...	8,757 50
Ohio.....	23,982	21,085 14	...	692 46	...
Oregon.....	4,880	4,508 08	468 89	...	2,869 75
Philadelphia.....	61,744	54,941 73	...	1,646 06	3,458 25
Pittsburg.....	29,453	28,861 84	896 59	...	1,250 00
Puget Sound.....	4,102	4,057 80	341 80	...	7,000 00
Rock River.....	32,291	30,704 71	43 86	...	2,956 75
Saint John's River.....	768	438 73	...	118 16	3,022 00
Saint Louis.....	16,860	9,280 98	...	5,310 69	5,466 25
Saint Louis German.....	6,327	6,534 00	760 69	...	3,842 25
Savannah.....	1,485	1,146 57	280 62	...	2,817 00
*South America.....	320	...	...	748 47	50,665 29
South Carolina.....	4,156	3,708 54	670 84	161 47	4,582 65
South-east Indiana.....	12,800	8,585 88	1,262 64	...	...
Southern California.....	6,195	5,540 53	...	...	7,184 25
Southern German.....	1,628	1,515 50	49 75	...	5,541 25
Southern Illinois.....	11,520	9,062 21	791 45	...	...
South India.....	320	...	...	253 20	19,209 10
South Kansas.....	7,562	5,113 06	153 77	...	2,833 25
South-west Kansas.....	6,345	4,801 70	613 72	...	5,925 75
Sweden.....	4,200	4,198 87	244 87	...	21,139 65
" Amer. Bible Soc. Appro.....	...	...	...	...	150 00
Switzerland.....	630	...	...	934 50	12,065 88
Tennessee.....	701	512 03	...	532 51	8,591 24
Texas.....	2,075	1,671 32	473 22	...	4,593 20
Troy.....	26,292	23,228 45	2,478 00	...	750 00
Upper Iowa.....	17,800	17,716 46	1,205 85	...	...
Upper Mississippi.....	...	357 55	324 65	...	2,905 25
*Utah.....	700	1,326 95	66 40	...	23,272 00
Vermont.....	5,994	5,550 99	28 18	...	895 04
Virginia.....	1,449	1,181 93	74 03	...	4,598 75
Washington.....	3,830	2,351 00	...	48 00	2,447 50
West China.....	110	40 00	...	1,566 26	1,921 20
West German.....	4,460	4,087 41	193 76	...	6,986 00
West Nebraska.....	2,218	1,426 65	...	71 35	10,845 75
West Texas.....	1,566	938 80	...	166 45	4,087 75
West Virginia.....	8,360	6,387 53	467 89	...	4,949 50
West Wisconsin.....	7,630	6,657 55	1,042 21	...	4,140 75
Wilmington.....	26,392	24,200 93	...	234 94	1,293 25
Wisconsin.....	10,000	8,436 65	...	424 65	4,914 75
Wyoming.....	25,559	24,808 54	2,833 19	...	378 50
*Wyoming.....	550	...	...	594 00	5,443 24
Legacies.....	...	117,515 44	58,334 18	...	...
Lapsed Annuities.....	...	16,395 05	12,395 05	...	...
Sundries.....	...	16,435 74	...	4,512 78	...
Incidental Expenses.....	...	...	...	...	45,550 12
Office Expenses.....	...	...	...	...	27,147 24
Publication Fund.....	...	...	...	...	7,371 55
" The Dallas " Claim.....	...	...	...	...	6,000 00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$1,238,291</b>	<b>\$1,228,888 04</b>	<b>\$125,669 21</b>	<b>\$32,052 99</b>	<b>\$1,184,663 59</b>

Total Disbursements to Foreign Missions, \$574,902 80; to Domestic Missions, \$468,747 51.

\* Missions.

**AUDITS.**—The accounts of the Treasurer were carefully audited by the Auditing Committee at New York, and those of the Assistant Treasurer were carefully audited by the Auditing Committee at Cincinnati, and certificates of their correctness respectively attached in due form. The above table is a summary of these accounts.

# Monthly Statement.

Showing the condition of the Treasury for each month of the fiscal year from November 1, 1890, to October 31, 1891.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.					ASSISTANT TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.					COMBINED STATEMENT.		BALANCES.
Date.	Balance on hand on the first day of each month.	Treasury in hand on the first day of each month.	Receipts.	Disbursements.	Balance on hand on the first day of each month.	Treasury in hand on the first day of each month.	Receipts.	Disbursements.	Total Receipts.	Total disbursements.	State of the Treasury on the last day of each month.	
November, 1890.	.....	\$71,545 82	\$7,017 83	\$62,367 30	\$2,024 46	.....	\$284 98	.....	\$7,282 81	\$62,367 30	\$124,035 85*	
December, 1890.	.....	125,364 46	26,803 45	88,466 47	1,825 61	.....	1,506 81	.....	28,309 76	88,466 47	179,192 56*	
January, 1891.	.....	177,410 98	42,216 58	115,538 08	.....	1,781 58	1,803 13	.....	43,519 71	115,538 08	251,210 93*	
February,	.....	246,064 23	19,221 08	83,987 81	.....	.....	5,146 70	.....	24,199 76	93,987 81	320,994 48*	
March,	.....	322,544 46	212,034 21	55,127 13	1,545 98	.....	24,038 70	.....	286,072 91	85,127 13	170,052 76*	
April,	.....	172,346 88	240,412 19	114,778 53	2,294 18	.....	21,153 25	.....	261,565 44	114,778 53	23,265 79*	
May,	.....	26,325 77	67,938 66	87,767 59	8,759 98	.....	2,671 61	.....	70,680 26	87,767 59	40,373 12*	
June,	.....	45,918 21	26,935 19	98,269 17	5,545 09	.....	6,982 75	.....	88,917 94	98,269 17	101,724 29*	
July,	.....	112,896 12	15,119 16	121,220 87	8,171 88	.....	2,770 53	.....	17,889 69	121,220 87	208,051 97*	
August,	.....	214,572 83	16,081 30	88,284 88	6,467 86	.....	6,238 87	.....	22,820 77	88,284 88	274,019 08*	
September,	.....	286,555 81	99,447 00	81,561 09	12,536 73	.....	213,034 05	.....	81,248 05	81,561 09	43,099 12*	
October,	.....	59,190 40	106,039 16	118,490 53	16,091 28	.....	86,828 01	.....	192,867 17	118,490 53	31,277 52*	

## General Statement for the Year.

RECEIPTS.		DISBURSEMENTS.	
Received by Treasurer at New York from Nov. 1, 1890, to Oct. 31, 1891.	\$879,316 40	Cash in Treasury in New York.	\$27,916 70
Assistant Treasurer at Cincinnati	871,740 87	Cash in Treasury in Cincinnati.	8,360 82
Total.....	\$1,251,057 27†	Total.....	\$31,277 52*
Total		Total	
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements.....	\$1,150,858 89†	Excess of Receipts over Disbursements.....	\$31,277 52*

\*Treasury in debt. †This includes \$22,169.23 received for Contingent Appropriations.  
 ‡This includes \$5,974.43 of Contingent Appropriations yet to be expended as directed by donors.  
 †This includes \$16,194.80 of Contingent Appropriations for-warded to India.

EARL CRANSTON, *Ass't Treasurer.* S. HUNT, *Treasurer.*

## MISSIONARY RECEIPTS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 1891.

Missionary Society.....	\$1,251,057 27
Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.....	263,660 69
Woman's Home Missionary Society.....	126,717 56
Bishop Taylor's Missions.....	36,961 44
Total.....	<u>\$1,678,396 96</u>

## MISSIONARY APPROPRIATIONS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 1892.

Missionary Society.....	\$1,225,367 00
Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.....	278,000 00
Woman's Home Missionary Society.....	58,007 00
Bishop Taylor's Missions (estimated by last year's expenditures).	40,829 72
Total.....	<u>\$1,602,203 72</u>

In addition to the above **Conditional Appropriations** were  
made by the

Missionary Society.....	\$42,167 00
Woman's Home Missionary Society.....	184,580 00
Total of Conditional Appropriations.....	<u>\$226,747 00</u>
Total of Regular and Contingent Appropriations..	<u>\$1,828,950 72</u>

## ANNUITY ACCOUNT.

This account represents the moneys received by the Missionary Society by gift on which annuities are paid during the life of the donors, and also property conveyed to the Society, but not yet sold, on which annuities (now amounting to \$3,000) are paid. It also includes moneys received from estates or by bequest, interest on which is to be paid perpetually into the treasury of the Society; bequests to certain Conference Societies, the interest on which is paid, but comes back at once into the treasury; and also \$15,000 given to the Society conditioned on the payment of interest to two schools in our foreign mission work.

The amount of bonds outstanding October 31, 1891, issued on the lives of individuals, on which all obligation of the Society ceases on the death of the donor or donors, was \$222,320.98; to Conference Societies, \$9,635.00; bonds on which the interest is paid to schools in our foreign missions, \$15,000.00; and amounts from bequests, etc., \$48,465.07; making a total of \$295,421.05. On the death of an annuitant, or the return and surrender of a bond, the amount of the canceled bond is credited in the receipts of the Society. During the past year \$16,395.05 was paid over from such lapsed annuities.

## SEVENTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT.

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THE year 1891 was in many respects the most gratifying in its results of all the years in the history of the Missionary Society. The amount received on the regular appropriations was \$1,228,888.04, and on the contingent appropriations \$22,129.63—making the total receipts of the treasury \$1,251,027.67. This is an increase of \$115,755.85 over the previous year; and is very nearly double the amount received from all sources in 1880. The whole amount received from Conferences is \$1,100,713.04—an increase of \$49,071 over last year. The amount from legacies is \$117,515.44, an increase of \$58,834.18—showing more than double the amount of the previous year from this source of income. The amount from “Sundries” is \$32,830.79, an increase of \$7,882.27.

A comparison with the close of the last two quadrenniums yields most encouraging results. The contributions of 1883 were \$650,771.54, and the whole receipts were \$753,669.90. In 1887 the contributions reached \$928,596.38—an increase of \$277,824.84; and the whole receipts \$1,000,528.34—an increase of \$71,931.86. In 1891 the contributions had increased over 1887 by the amount of \$72,116.66; and over 1883 by the amount of \$349,941.50. The total receipts had increased \$250,499.43 over 1887; and \$322,431.29 over 1883. This shows an average annual increase from collections for the eight years of \$87,485.37, and an average annual increase from all sources of \$80,607.82. There is certainly much reason in these statistics to “thank God and take courage.”

The reports made by our foreign missions are of the most cheering character.

The North India Mission has fulfilled the expectations



awakened at the beginning of the year, and has gone far beyond the predictions then made. Bishop Thoburn indicated his faith at the beginning of the year that an increase of 10,000 converts would be shown during the year, but it appears that fully 16,000 have professed Christianity during the year 1891. This most remarkable work goes forward with unabated power, and no one can predict what will be the final result. It seems to be a movement of large masses simultaneously toward Christianity.

Some questions have been raised as to whether all these converts have experienced regeneration, but it is not necessary to attempt to answer that question. The fact that so many thousands of heathen have put away their idols and have expressed their desire for Christian instruction, and that among them a very large number have given every evidence of sound conversion, indicates that it is a work of very great power in which we must recognize the effective presence of the Holy Spirit. It is a cause for very great thankfulness and for the putting forth of the best efforts of the Church to gather in the great harvest that awaits our reaping.

The statistics show an increase of 11,602 members and probationers in the North India Mission, which is a gain of over 93 per cent. over the previous year. The next highest gain is in the Foochow Mission, where the increase is 1,195, or over 28½ per cent.; and the next in Bengal, 1,070, or over 33½ per cent. (The Bengal figures are from report just received; those in the summary are from the Conference report of 1891.)

The gains in the other missions are as follows: Denmark, 446; South India, 446; Switzerland, 431; Sweden, 415; North China, 378; South America, 367; Germany, 327; Japan, 320; Italy, 129; Mexico, 128; Norway, 110; Central China, 46; Malaysia, 38; Africa, 15; West China, 10; Bulgaria, 8.

The total gain of members and probationers in our foreign missions is 16,455, which is an increase of 22 per cent. over the previous year. The total number is now 91,325.

The increase in the missions in the United States adminis-



tered as Foreign Missions is not as large as it was last year, with the exception of the New Mexico Spanish Mission, which leads the list with an increase of 291 during the past year. Utah follows with 255 ; New Mexico English with 82 ; Wyoming, 39 ; Black Hills, 33. The North-west Norwegian and Danish Mission seems to have an increase of only two, while the statistics show slight losses in the Indian Mission Conference and Nevada. The Navajo Mission is getting fairly started under its new superintendent, Rev. F. A. Riggins. The headquarters will continue to be at Fort Defiance, Arizona Territory.

Rev. C. L. Bovard has taken charge of the New Mexico English Mission, and entered upon his duties with much zeal and energy.

The General Committee held its session in Cleveland, O., where much service was done to the cause not only by the sessions of the Committee, but by several public meetings where various fields were represented by some of the bishops and returned missionaries.

All the members of the Board of Managers have been graciously preserved during the year, so that no death in their number is to be recorded. We regret, however, to be obliged to add that soon after the session of the General Missionary Committee one of its members was called away, Rev. M. M. Bovard, D.D., who had been during the quadrennium the efficient representative of the Pacific coast, but who was suffering from serious illness while discharging his duty at the session in Cleveland, and was soon after called to his reward. A strong and true man, earnest in the performance of duty, cordial and considerate toward all his brethren, alive to the opportunities and responsibilities afforded by the growing communities and peculiar characteristics of the Pacific coast, he was a most valuable and effective laborer.

We append the following earnest words from an appeal to the pastors, issued by the Corresponding Secretaries, January 20, 1892 :

"The whole Church has sung doxologies over the fact that the Missionary Society closed the fiscal year of 1891 free from

debt. We began that year with a debt of \$68,921.36. We closed it with a balance of \$25,303.09, making a favorable difference in the financial situation of \$94,224.45. Considering the largely increased appropriations we have been making of late years, it was indeed a matter of profound thanksgiving that we were able to pay them all, and leave a goodly balance in the treasury with which to begin the work of 1892. With strengthened faith in the loyalty of the presiding elders and pastors, the General Committee immediately proceeded to draw a sight draft upon the treasury of \$1,225,367. Every dollar of this must be paid. Our income for 1891 was \$1,228,888.04, so that the action of the General Committee may be regarded as sufficiently conservative. We have appropriated for 1892 less money than we received in 1891.

"It is said of the great Adoniram Judson that he had a passion for 'finishing things.' That passion made him one of the greatest missionaries the world has ever seen. Any body can begin, but it often requires pluck and heroism to hold out to the end. We long to see the day when the whole Methodist ministry will cultivate this passion.

"Pardon our importunity! We are charged with a great responsibility! We are absolutely dependent upon the fidelity of the pastors to enable the Missionary Society to carry out its great plans for the conquest of the world! Our missions in our own country ought to be better supported. We have thirty-five hundred missionaries in the home fields. We absolutely need five thousand. We could use them to the greatest advantage. There is our work in cities, amid vast masses of men sunken in poverty and crime—tenement-houses crowded with children doomed hopelessly to lives of sin and shame and utter wretchedness, unless we can reach and save them. We are doing a great work, but beyond the limits of it, far out in the gathering gloom, are eager, questioning eyes, watching us and saying: 'When are you coming to us with the Gospel of Jesus?' We know that if the whole Church could only hear the truth and take it in, there would be such an uprising to come to our help as we have never seen before.

"We appeal to you in Jesus's name to be faithful. Ponder his own plea to his Church just before he ascended to his Father: 'It behooved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day: and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.'

"These words are almost too tender to be spoken of as a command. They come to us rather as the appeal, as the last request, of Him who died for us upon the cross.

"If the cause of missions is the organized effort of the Church to fulfill that last request, then must it not be that our fidelity to that cause is the real measure of our love for Jesus and our loyalty in his service?

"Brother pastor, allow us though you to send to your people this one message: The Million and a Quarter for missions by collections only is possible if every charge responds with every dollar of its apportionment.

"Success in raising it means another great advance in our work at home and in foreign lands. Stand by your pastor! Send him to Conference with the ability to say, when his name is called among his brethren: 'Missionary collection! Apportionment raised in full!' No pastor can bear such a message to his Conference without a feeling of pleasure which is far removed from pride. It is rather the joy of a soldier who has been depended on in the day of battle and has not failed."

# FOREIGN MISSIONS.

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## AFRICA.

Commenced in 1833.

Organized as a Conference in 1836

UNDER SUPERVISION OF BISHOP TAYLOR.

APPOINTMENTS FOR 1891.

MONROVIA DISTRICT, C. A. PITMAN, P.E.

*Monrovia*, to be supplied; *Robertsport and Talla*, B. K. McKeever; *New Georgia Circuit*, A. H. Watson; *Johnsonville*, to be supplied; *Paynesville and Ghee Whrong Circuit*, C. A. Pitman; *Marshall*, J. P. Artis; *Powellville*, to be supplied; *Vey Mission*, D. Ware; *Kru Town*, Miss Mary A. Sharp.\*

ST. PAUL'S RIVER DISTRICT, W. T. Hagan, P.E.

*Upper and Lower Caldwell Circuit*, F. C. Holderness; *Virginia and Brewersville Circuit*, J. D. A. Scott; *Clay Ashland Circuit*, J. W. Cooper; *Millsburg and White Plains*, G. W. Parker; *Arthington*, C. B. McLean; *Robertsville*, J. E. Clark; *Careysburg and Bensonville*, T. A. Sims, I. N. Holder, assistant; *Brown Station*, R. Boyce; *Mt. Coffee*, W. P. Kennedy, Sr.

BASSA DISTRICT, J. H. DEPUTIE, P.E.

*Upper Buchanan and Paynesbury*, E. L. Brumskine; *Lower Buchanan and Carterstown*, to be supplied; *Gibboom*, to be supplied; *Benson River*, to be supplied; *Bexley Circuit*, to be supplied; *Edina Circuit*, to be supplied; *Farmington*, to be supplied; *Mt. Olive Mission*, J. H. Deputie.

SINOU DISTRICT, P.E. to be supplied.

*Greenville*, to be supplied; *Lexington*, P. E. Walker; *Louisiana and Bluntsville*, to be supplied; *Ebenezer*, to be supplied by Z. B. Roberts; *Jacktown*, J. W. Bonner; *Blue Barrow*, W. P. Kennedy, Jr.; *Wah Country*, J. W. Draper; *Settra Kru*, B. J. Turner; *Nanna Kru*, Henly Wright; *Niffu*, E. O. Harris.

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\* Missionary worker, but not member of the Conference.

CAPE PALMAS AND CAVALLA RIVER DISTRICT,† P.E. to be supplied.

*Mt. Scott and Tubmantown Circuit*, to be supplied; *Barreky*, William Warner and wife;\* *Plebo*, William Yancey\* and wife;\* *Hada Uraboe*, Sandy Yancey\* and wife;\* *Wallaky*, W. Sneidmiller;\* *Gerribo*, C. Gibson\* and wife;\* *Bararobo*, Miss Dingman;\* *Beabo*, H. Garwood;\* *Tataka*, Annie Whitfield;\* *Yorkey*, Miss Bates;\* *Yubloky*, Boston and Betty Tubman;\* *Wissikah*, Hugo Heppé\* and wife;\* *Pluky*, Miss McNeil\* and Miss Beynon;\* *Garaway*, Miss McAllister;\* *Pequinini Ses*, J. G. Tate and wife;\* *Grand Ses*, J. B. Robertson;\* *Sastown*, to be supplied.\*

‡ ANGOLA DISTRICT, A. E. WITHEY, P.E.

*Malange*, S. J. Mead, Ardella Mead, Susan Collins; *Pungo Andongo*, C. W. Gordon, Mrs. I. F. Withey,\* Lottie,\* and Florence; *Quiongua*, Robert Shields; *Nhanguepepo*, William H. Mead, Mrs. Minnie Mead,\* John,\* Samuel,\*§ William,\* Julia,\* Taylor,\* and Charles§ Mead, Herbert C. Withey; *Dondo*, W. P. Dodson, Alfred Calin and wife;\* *Loanda*, L. C. Burling, Mrs. Burling,\* Lancaster\* and Beverly\* Burling, Mrs. Janette Roseman.\*

KONGO DISTRICT, P.E. to be supplied.

*Luluaburg*, to be supplied; *Kimpoko*, Bradley L. Burr, L. B. Walker, J. Harrison, M.D., Hiram Elkins, Mrs. Elkins;\* *Isangala*, W. O. White, Wm. Rasmussen; *Vivi*, J. C. Teter and wife;\* *Matadi*, to be supplied; *Natomby*, Miss Kildare;\* *Mamby*, Miss Kah,\* H. Nehne.\*

MONROVIA DISTRICT.

Rev. C. A. Pitman, P.E.

*Monrovia Station*. Rev. W. T. Hagan, pastor, has held the fort at this important point under the weight of the increased responsibilities which the Church saw fit to impose upon him at our last Conference. The church is still progressing; the Sabbath-school is well managed, and therefore growing and vigorous. The Methodist Episcopal Seminary is completed, but more than this I am not advised to report to the Conference. Sister Mary Sharp's schools, day and Sabbath, on this charge, in consequence of the absence of Sister Sharp in America, have not been vigorously prosecuted. I am as much as ever convinced that this is a great and good work. It deserves our sympathy; and more, it should have the support of this Conference and the people of this country generally.

*Robertsport and Talla*. This circuit was left to be supplied; I put Brother C. W. Houston, local preacher, in charge. He has done well. The work of the circuit has been efficiently managed, and the results are

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† Changes in Cape Palmas District have been made as follows: J. G. Tate and wife to Sastown; Wm. Warner and wife to Pequinini; Miss White to Barreky; Mrs. Minor and son to aid at Garaway.

‡ These appointments are according to report direct from Presiding Elder Withey, copy of which missed the bishop.

§ Died before Conference convened.



that the Lord revived his work in quickening believers. The church is gratifyingly reviving from the effects of the late fearful assaults of the enemy. Thank God for this ! We are blessed with a fine Sabbath-school here.

*New Georgia.* Rev. A. H. Watson, in charge, reports a general awakening on this old battle-ground, resulting in conversions and accessions.

This is Brother Watson's first year on this station, and it appears that he has made a fine impression on the minds of the people. They have an interesting Sunday-school.

*Marshall.* This is also one of our old stations, W. G. Mathis, local elder. The station holds its own. There is on this circuit a nice healthy and growing work among the natives of the Junk Country, supported and carried on in the main by the indefatigable worker, J. J. Powell. I have before spoken of this work. It is the redeeming feature on this circuit. I had the honor of baptizing, by immersion, on last Sabbath morning ten native youths and one native woman, all the product or fruits of the labors of Brother Powell and his worthy co-worker, Sister Powell. We have good Sabbath-schools at these points. Brother Powell's self-denial and apostolic zeal and labor for the souls of the heathen are worthy of imitation.

*Johnsonville and Geewhrong.* These places are under the oversight of J. W. Davis, local preacher. Brother Davis is especially assigned to Johnsonville, Geewhrong.

#### BASSA DISTRICT.

Rev. James H. Deputie, P.E.

Our work on the *Lower Buchanan*, under Rev. F. A. Overton, a local elder, ordained at the last session of the Conference, has been laboring under many disadvantages. The church for some time has been closed for repairs, and in the early part of the year the trustees decided to take the old building down and put up a new one. They at once set to work to secure the material, and Bishop Taylor, visiting that charge shortly after the adjournment of the Conference, gave to the trustees a contribution of a quantity of planks, nails, and shingles. The building is frame, and is now raised and partly shut in. Laborers are hard to get, and the means to pay them very scarce, so the work has been greatly retarded. Not having a regular place of worship, our meetings have been irregular, and the interest of our beloved Zion has waned. Notwithstanding the discouragements, our few members stood firm, and in the month of November the Lord visited this people, blessed their souls, and blessed their families. A revival began in the Baptist church and continued for three weeks, resulting in the conversion of many precious souls. Many young men and women were brought to the saving knowledge of Christ, also a few native youths, who are living in the families of the Americo-Liberians. During this revival our preacher in charge received eighteen on probation. We have a few members who remain true to the old flag, not-



withstanding the opposition and the many inducements to leave and go to other churches. Our house of worship is not finished, and will not be for some time.

The little church at *Gibboom*, composed of a few faithful members, is still in existence. Brother Overton has given as much of his time to the work as his circumstances would admit. The charge is a poor one. The few members cannot and do not give him sufficient to pay his traveling expenses. He visits them as often as he can, and breaks to them the bread of life. The heathen around this interesting station desire to take greater interest in the education of their children, but I have not a man that I can send, nor a house to put him in, nor a dozen of books to put in a day or Sabbath school. I have not been able to give this important station my personal oversight, from the fact that I have no boat to travel the route along the sea-coast, which is necessary to reach the place. This charge is too favorable to abandon.

*Carterstown*, also under the oversight of Rev. Mr. Overton, is in a very good condition. The members have recently been revived, and fifteen received into the church on probation. Books are greatly needed for the Sabbath-school. With the assistance of the government a day-school has recently been opened and taught by J. T. Corney, a local preacher in our church. We expect great things from this charge.

*Upper Buchanan*, under the watchful care of Rev. W. Brumskine, is in a very good spiritual condition. Brother Brumskine has been very sick during the year, and at one time we thought his work among us was about finished; but the Lord spared him for further usefulness, and he still stands as the leader of this little flock. This is an important charge—one of the oldest in the district—and needs a good brick church. It must not go down. They are trying to raise money to make brick and build, but the progress is very slow. Having to support the pastor, keep up the church, and meet the incidental expenses of the churches, with a majority of the members females, with no other support than what they can pick up from day to day, makes it very hard upon both pastor and members.

*Paynesbury*, under the care of Rev. E. L. Brumskine, is increasing in interest. Brother Brumskine is bringing up some young men of the Kongo tribe as exhorters, stewards, and superintendents of the Sabbath-schools who are an honor to the church. This young brother, the only traveling elder on this part of the district, has been laboring under severe afflictions during the rainy season, and several times thought that he would have to go away to recuperate; but he stood firm amid his afflictions and kept his flock together.

*Edina Charge* has its disappointments, and is greatly in need of a church. Several years ago a new brick church was begun under the administration of the Rev. C. W. Bryant. The building is forty-five feet long and thirty wide, and was up to window-level when he was taken from the charge. Recently the Building Committee resumed the work, contracted at two different times for making seventy-five thousand bricks, and after considerable outlay of money both kilns of bricks were spoiled. The

membership became discouraged, and had almost concluded that it was impossible for them to have a brick church in Edina. The little church in which they have been worshipping for years is growing dilapidated, and is too small for the congregation. A few days ago we held the District Conference in this place, and had a very interesting session. At the close of the session a revival broke out, which resulted in the conversion of quite a number of sinners, and the reclaiming of backsliders. The Baptists united with us in the meeting, and after the close of the meeting we received ten on probation. Brother H. C. Russ, the pastor, writes me that they have been encouraged to make another contract for bricks, and I hope that in this they will be more successful. They have a very interesting Sabbath-school under the superintendency of Mr. James E. Johnson, who is sparing no pains to make it a success.

Rev. I. N. Roberts, a local elder on this circuit, made a visit to a native chief, who sent for him to teach him the way of salvation more perfectly. This old native chief told Brother Roberts that he was not going to live here much longer, and for twelve years he had been waiting for a "God-man" to go to his town to teach him and his people the way to God. Brother Roberts reports that he spent a happy time with this old man and his people, and is determined to do all in his power to open a work in that section of country that will have for its object the salvation of those heathen people. The main town, in which the old chief resides, is about forty miles from Hartford, on the St. John's River, and Brother Roberts thinks that with a little encouragement and some financial aid to make a beginning with a grand work can be effected.

*The Bexley Circuit* has been moving on grandly during the entire year. Rev. A. Morgan, the preacher in charge of this large circuit, has much to encourage him. For over two months he has been living in the midst of a grand revival. Many sinners have been brought to a saving knowledge of Christ, and quite a large number of the members have made a profession of the blessings of the higher life. During my visit there in November, to hold the Fourth Quarterly Meeting, I found them all alive, young and old rejoicing in the promises of the Son of God. I felt that it was good to be there. After love-feast in the morning twelve or thirteen were baptized. There are many native converts, and if we were able to put them together in a church, under a leader who can preach to them in their own language, and give them his personal oversight, it would be the beginning of a grand work in this direction. On this circuit there is a "Church Aid Society," laying the foundation for a grand missionary work among the heathen, under the direction of a few zealous females, whose hearts are devoted to the service of the Lord, and who are very anxious to go out into the hedges and highways, and compel the heathen to come in. They have made a beginning, and the God whom we worship does not despise the day of small things.

*Farmington*, on Mechlin River, under the care of Rev. James E. Miller, has not enlarged her borders, nor built the long contemplated church. This is but a very small village, with few members. For some time

they have been without a house of worship, holding their services in private houses. This has greatly retarded the work, and more especially among the Kongo and the native membership. Near this place the old Durbinville Mission once existed, and some signs remain, as an evidence that good seed was planted.

And now I come to the *Mount Olive Mission Station*, made up mostly of converts from heathenism of this section of country. Here I have served as preacher in charge, in connection with my labors as presiding elder over the district. I can assure you that I have not been idle during the year, and while I am somewhat out of the general line of travel, and our bishop and very few of my Conference brethren visit me, yet we have very often the visits of the King of kings in the person of the Holy Spirit, who comes to bless our labors. We have had no great revivals during the year, and yet we have had some accessions. We have had wars and rumors of wars around us among the natives, but these hostile people have not been allowed to come near our dwellings. Our church stands as a beacon-light to the heathen around, and on the Sabbath is crowded with eager listeners to hear the word of God. The Lord has abundantly blessed us in the work on our new church, and it is now under cover, and will soon be ready for the inside work. We have to wait so long here for material and the means that we cannot always make the desired progress. We hope soon to be able to get in our new house of worship, and then will be able to extend our borders and strengthen our status. In the early part of the year I visited the station formerly occupied by Dr. Daniel Williams, one of Bishop Taylor's self-supporting mission stations. I found the place in charge of Mr. Wiley Fort, a young man full of zeal. There was a small house there occupied by the temporary missionary, and the blocks set for a large mission-house. There was an abundance of fine cassada, several hundred coffee-trees recently set out, and a large quantity of lumber on hand for building purposes. I had an interview with the natives, and they regretted very much the causes leading to Dr. Williams's removal, and requested me to use my influence with the bishop to send them another good missionary and not abandon the work among them. They are still looking for a missionary to hold up the light of the Gospel.

In submitting this report, I can assure you that the brethren on the Bassa District, who are most loyal men, have greatly assisted me in keeping up the interest of the work in the several relations they sustain to the district, and those in the pastoral office have been poorly paid for their services, and yet they have been faithful and true, and have rendered efficient service to the Church. I commend them to the care of Him who watches over their labors.

May that God who has watched over us during the Conference year now coming to a close continue his blessings upon us and this people, who extend to us the hospitalities of their homes, preside over the deliberations of the present session, and save us finally.

## SINOUE DISTRICT.

Rev. William P. Kennedy, Jr., P.E.

*Greenville.* W. P. Kennedy, Jr., preacher in charge. The year dawned on us here not as bright as we desired. Our skies suddenly became clouded, and there were signs of a terrific storm. The enemy had gathered a host under disguise, and rapidly approached the camp. So masterly and cunning were his maneuvers that he almost succeeded in entering undiscovered. His purposes were to tear, to divide, to destroy, and to break down. But

“ . . . behind a frowning providence  
God hid his smiling face.”

These fearful looking clouds, that for a moment hid our sun from view and caused a little gloominess to prevail over our Zion, soon passed away, and left a bright and glorious sun. In the month of April we began a protracted meeting; the results were great and grand. Forty-six precious souls who were in the gall of bitterness and the bonds of iniquity were saved from their sins—saved by grace divine from the powers of the devil—and are now sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed in their right minds.

Brethren, what wondrous love is this! Twenty-six joined the Methodist Episcopal church in Greenville, faithfully served out their probation, and have been received into full membership. Some joined the Protestant Episcopal Church, the remainder the Presbyterian and Baptist. During the revival the church received a baptismal shower from on high; and I believe the Christian Church in Sinou of all denominations was benefited. Brother P. E. Walker, my assistant, rendered good service this year. Our Sabbath-school is not in as healthy a condition as we desire, but efforts are being made to bring it to its old landmark. The temporal condition of the church is not encouraging. Our house of worship needs a good repairing. With no funds on hand, and owing to the hardness of the times and the scarcity of money, we were compelled to let it stand just as it is until something could be done, which I hope will not be very long. The parsonage, the only one in Liberia of our denomination belonging to the Board, is in a very bad condition, and unless something is done it cannot stand long. I think as this house was built by the pastor of the charge, aided by a few brethren and friends, without one dollar from the Board of Missions, and at the same time the pastor having had to live in a rented house, rentage being forty dollars, and pay it himself, there should be an appropriation, even though small, by the Committee on Estimates, or somebody, for its repair. As the pastor is wholly unable to do it himself, I hope the committee will act favorably.

*Louisiana Circuit,* Murry Railey, preacher in charge, embracing the settlements of Louisiana and Bluntsville, is under the pastoral care of Rev. Murry Railey, local deacon. For a number of years Brother Railey has been a faithful worker of Christ on this circuit, and has done no little in fostering Methodism and advancing the cause of true holiness. His members love him, and the old man loves them. The work is still pro-



gressing; many have already advanced in holiness. Regular services are held at both places on Sabbaths, notwithstanding the great odds that are against them—I mean by having no church house; two are being erected, but neither of them is finished. But notwithstanding this also their class and prayer meetings are held regularly. No accessions on this circuit this year. The people are poor but pushing onward. They are loyal to Christ and Methodism. Our two Sabbath-schools are progressing. Their progress would be greater if they had suitable books.

*Lexington.* J. W. Bonner, preacher in charge. Brother Bonner did not give the attention this year that the work demanded, consequently we cannot speak as favorably as we did last year. I am very sorry to say that spiritually the work in Lexington is on a decline. The membership, though small, has become much discouraged and dissatisfied. I recommend a change here.

*Native Work.* To Niffu, Bishop Taylor's self-supporting work, Brother E. O. Harris was appointed by Bishop Taylor. Under many disadvantages the young brother has labored. The great spiritual success I trust will be seen in the sweet by and by. He has no accessions this year. There were a few who at the time of his entering the field desired baptism and admission into the Church. Before I could get to Niffu three had gone to sea. A plurality of wives or polygamy at present prevents the others from being received. They are willing to give up their *gree-grees*, but they hold tenaciously to their wives. May the great Head of the Church help them to yield speedily to the teachings of the Spirit of Christ. Divine services are held by Brother Harris regularly, and the people of Niffu seem interested. A few of them have become truly serious from the preaching of the word. About the 1st of December I visited this place and was with Brother Harris three days. I had an interview in the mission-house with the old king, governors, chiefs, and other leading men of the place. They expressed gratitude to God for the operation of the mission among them, and a willingness to do whatever they could in its behalf. They were extremely pleased with Brother Harris, and faithfully promised to build a thatch house for worship and school. Brother Harris contemplates doing a great work here for the Master. He is very active in the field and is willing to suffer for Christ. He has about an acre of ground under cultivation. He has a week-day and Sabbath-school. Our District Conference recommended him for reception into the traveling connection.

*Nanna Kru.* Henly Wright, preacher in charge, has had a hard time of it with the Nanna Kru people. He had almost given up hopes for this place, and was preparing to leave. He came to Sinou to see me as his presiding elder. After hearing his complaint, together with the many threats of the natives, I concluded for his safety to allow him to go to Niffu with Brother Harris, until the meeting of the Annual Conference in January, 1891. Just before Brother Wright had made preparation for leaving Nanna Kru the storm subsided, and there was a perfect calm; the clouds disappeared, and there was sunshine. His people confessed their wrongs

and desired him to remain. I visited Nanna Kru on the 23d of December, 1890, and left on the 24th for Sinou. My stay was short in consequence of having no boat of my own nor belonging to the mission at my command; hence, I did not have the time to have an interview with the people as I desired; but from observation I believe it is all well now with Brother Wright and his people. He expressed to me his satisfaction, and prefers remaining still as a missionary in Nanna Kru. There were no accessions to the church; but he is laboring faithfully on, and watching the signs of time, and earnestly praying for success. Brother Wright is really a hard-working missionary, and he means self-support in the future. He also has about an acre of ground, I think, under cultivation.

*Settra Kru.* B. J. Turner, preacher in charge. Brother Turner is still hard at work for the Master. I visited Settra Kru on the 20th of December, 1890, and remained until the 23d. While there I had an interview with several of the leading men, preached twice on the Sabbath to interested throngs of native men, women, and children, and was much encouraged. I think in the near future Brother Turner will begin to see the fruits of his labor. I discovered while there a great interest paid to the operations of the mission, and an earnest desire to have their children educated. Brother Turner has a few boys living with him who are making fine advancement. Some children go from the town to school and return home again. No accessions to the church as yet.

Like at Niffu, I saw a man who professes a change of heart and seems very serious and religious; he bows to Christ alone. Having abandoned his idolatry, he wishes baptism and connection with the Christian Church, but having two wives, I could not baptize nor receive him. He seems hopeful, and looks forward to the time in the near future when God shall bring about a change, when he will be the husband of one wife only. Brother Turner has a fine farm of cassadas and potatoes, and about five hundred coffee-trees set out.

*Ebenezer,* Z. B. Roberts, local elder, preacher in charge, is still advancing. Brother Roberts really seems to have the work at heart, and he is regularly found at his post. Many serious difficulties attended this field during the year. The enemy used one of his powerful weapons with some force against it for its utter destruction. But those who put their trust in the Lord shall never be confounded. Hence he was disappointed, defeated, and put to flight, perhaps only to rally and come again in another form. Sometime during the year, I think in June or July, I was requested by Brother Roberts to visit the station to assist in baptizing some infants or children; twenty-two were baptized that day by Brother Roberts and myself; many friends from the settlements were present as well as many natives. I preached from "Upon this rock will I build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

Brother Roberts has a very fine day-school, well attended by many children, taught by his nephew, Henry Ward Beecher Roberts, as well as a good Sabbath-school. The children are making rapid improvement. Some have learned to read and write and cipher. No accessions to the



church as yet, but in due time the precious seed sown here will bring forth good fruit to the honor and glory of God. Roberts has, during the year, out of his own means, with a little aid from friends interested in the mission, built a fine dwelling house (12 by 18) for mission purposes, also a wattle and daubed thatch house for the boys. This year he set out a thousand coffee-trees, making sixteen hundred trees now out. This station bids fair to do a great work for the Master. Its locality is grand, promising, and favorable. Its light, if continued to be properly conducted and diffused with godly zeal, must penetrate into the far interior. It is situated on the main road that leads to the Bush Country, where hundreds of Bushmen come down annually to trade. The first American house seen by the Bushmen in coming to trade is the mission-house, where dwells the missionary with his Bible in hand, ready to teach them; the second is the church, where he will receive the word of God.

*Jacktown Station*, situated on the Sinou River a few miles below Ebenezer Station, is occupied by Brother J. W. Bonner. During the year Brother Bonner has made some sacrifices in trying to establish himself among these hard idolatrous people. He built at his own expense a thatch house, a portion of it wattle and daubed, the other matted around. He supported for three or four months a teacher, who gave himself to the work and has been working faithfully ever since, namely, Brother Willis Gatlin, an exhorter from the Greenville Charge. In the month of October Brother Roberts received a supply from Bishop Taylor to aid in planting a mission, at which he is now working. He has taught on the station a day and Sabbath school; he also has during the year set out a good quantity of coffee. We hope for this station a grand success. Like Ebenezer, situated on the opposite side of the river, it is on the road to the interior and is a grand location. Here the Bushmen will be able to buy gospel grace, without money and without price. May the Lord graciously pour out his Spirit here.

*Blue Barrah Station*. The last Annual Conference appointed the Rev. J. W. Draper to this field, but since then a change has been made, as Brother Draper preferred going to Wah Country. By the consent of the bishop I included Blue Barrah with my work. I cannot report any thing permanent. I have visited this place often, and tried hard to get a house erected. Notwithstanding the many faithful promises made by the king, governors, and leading men, I have not as yet succeeded. We must not expect the natives to build houses for us without some remuneration; and they will not work without pay, though they are glad to have us among them. A great work can be done here, and I do earnestly recommend it now to the serious consideration of the Conference and Board. "Let us go up at once and possess it; why tarry any longer?" Having labored myself as a missionary among the Americo-Liberians for twenty years or more, going from place to place as a Methodist itinerant, sowing the precious seed of life, I would now turn my attention with zeal and vigor to these benighted people who are in darkness, idolatry, and superstition. I ask the brethren: "May I go to carry them the Gospel, the

glad tidings of great joy?" Christ is willing; will you send me? There I would plant the standard of Jesus! There I would unfurl his blood-stained banner! There I would spend the remainder of my days! There I would die! and there I would be buried, and rest till the resurrection morn!

*Wah Country.* J. W. Draper, preacher in charge. In the month of July Brother Draper, after having recovered from sickness, entered upon his arduous labors. I have not visited this place as yet, but from what I can gather Brother Draper is doing the best he can. He seems earnest in his labors, and desires to spend and be spent for his Lord and Master. I believe a great work will eventually be effected here for the King of Glory. Thousands are coming from the far interior, where darkness abounds, unto the great light of the Gospel. The Wah Country people are all Bushmen, who have come from a very great distance and planted themselves near the coast. Shall we refuse to give them light?

Before closing my report, I will say that our home mission work is still advancing or progressing. We have not funds sufficient on hand yet to make a beginning, but, God willing and aiding, we, or the Methodist Episcopal Church on the Sinou District, have concluded to plant and foster a mission station itself in the near future for which we are laboring, hoping, and praying.

I will also call your attention to the educational interest of our children. Brethren, unless something is done in this direction I am afraid that we will lose ground. The intellectual part of our Church seems to be on a decline. Other denominations are looking out and educating their youths. Are we asleep to our own interests in this country? Awake! or else we will suffer loss. Let us as Methodists educate our children, that they go not from us to get an education and will not return. Let us educate the children, that they may be able to defend her doctrines when we are dead and gone. May God help us. Amen.

#### ST. PAUL'S RIVER DISTRICT.

Rev. W. T. Hogan, P.E.

DEAR BRETHREN: After the labors of another twelvemonth we are found assembled in Conference to review the past, and to make plans for the future. Truly, the Lord has been good to us all the year, for when it was dark and dreary he was our light to cheer; when doubts and fears alarmed us, he was present to remove them; and in keeping with his promise, "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world," we found him true.

*Caldwell*, the old battle-ground, where the standard of Christianity has long been reared and many a Christian warrior has shouted high the praise to the Captain of our salvation, and from whence many have gone up with flying colors with the shout of victory, has been favored of the Lord with a gracious revival, and many who were strangers to God were brought to a saving knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus Christ. Several of the number were native men and boys, who gave clear

testimonies of their conversion. I witnessed the baptism of ten, by immersion, while holding the Fourth Quarterly Meeting. There are two Sabbath-schools connected with the charge reported to be in good condition. They have no day-school, I am sorry to say. As yet nothing has been done toward finishing the church in Lower Caldwell. An amount has been collected for building the church in Upper Caldwell, and to procure the roofing, which has been arranged for and ordered.

The next session of the District Conference is to be held in Jamestown, December 8, 1891.

*Virginia* holds her own, though no spiritual shower has followed during the year. The brethren have been engaged with their church building, getting it ready for your reception. You can see what has been done, and that by a few, as is generally the case. These deserve credit for the voluntary and sacrificing way in which they have so far and so nicely fixed the church. This is all under the leadership of Rev. F. C. Holderness, the pastor. Brother A. H. Watson, a resident of Virginia, made the chandelier a present to the church. I regard it a fine present; and through the kind offices of Messrs. H. Cooper & Son ordered the Bible and Hymnal for them.

*Brewerville* is moving on gradually and successfully, for she has richly shared in the blessing of a refreshing visitation of the Holy Spirit; many souls were born of God, and have found peace and joy for their souls. Some very healthy accessions have been made. God speed her on her journey! Two Sabbath-schools reported to be in good condition. I regret to report that no day-schools are on the district connected with the Methodist Episcopal Church. I trust that this sad fact will not be the case much longer, but that the Church will become so awakened to the importance of the education of the youth that no pains nor means will be spared to develop the educational interest of the Church and country.

*Clay Ashland and Sastown\* Circuit*, Rev. J. W. Cooper, pastor, still moves on gradually. A Sabbath-school is connected with this circuit, and is in good condition. A very good and efficient board of officers sustain the pastor in his administration. The Sastown people have not built the frame house of worship yet, as proposed by them, but they still promise to build it. I visited Sastown last month and held the Fourth Quarterly Meeting for the circuit, which was attended with much interest and refreshment of the members there.

*Millsburg and White Plains*. Rev. G. W. Parker, pastor, whose labors have been crowned with success. To use his own words, he says that "He went to his charge with a heavy heart, yet relying on God, whose word faileth not," but his experience is that "God's blessed word did part each cloud, and bid the sunshine smile," for before the year ended light took the place of darkness, the heaviness of heart was removed, and his horizon became brighter. The officers and members responded to his call, and they soon raised the means and procured the

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\* Not the Sastown of Bishop Taylor's work.

plank for the ceiling, and the lime for plastering the walls; and when these were on the spot he applied himself to the work in person, assisted by Brother Hustan and one or two of his brethren, also his son and W. H. Carter, a trustee. The shutters were made, fitted, and hung. The pulpit and altar were made and donated by a friend and brother who is identified with the Methodist Episcopal Church, and is greatly interested in her cause. The eighth session of the District Conference was held there, and at the session the house was formally dedicated to God. The services were very interesting and impressive, the elder together with Rev. R. A. M. Deputie, of the Presbyterian Church, taking part in the services. Several individuals became serious and interested about the salvation of their souls, and when we adjourned several were at the altar seeking Jesus's pardoning love. The people of Millsburg have become greatly attached to their pastor, for which I am really glad.

*Robertsville.* Joseph E. Clarke was appointed the pastor to this charge, and has labored there, though under many disadvantages. He has kept up his work, as far as he could. The brethren have begun to get out the material for the new church building, which they greatly need. There has been a land difficulty which is now nearly settled, which will give them a better basis than they have ever had before. There is just beyond Robertsville one hundred acres of land, known as the Hedddington mission property—a beautiful place and site for a mission station and farm; and as the spirit of missions seems to be reviving, the day may not be far distant when this old historic place will be re-occupied, and a mission farm and industrial school be there opened. Pray for Brother Clarke's success. He is an earnest and sincere worker. His health has not been good during the year, yet he is worthy of the confidence of the brethren, and I commend him to your prayers and sympathies.

*Arthington* comes next, under the pastoral charge of Rev. C. B. McLean. No outbreak of a revival there during the year, yet he has kept together that part of the flock of Christ. One died this year. There is a small Sabbath-school, and, notwithstanding the opposition, he is encouraged to work on and wait for results. Pray that his weak hands be held up, and his feeble knees strengthened.

*Careysburg and Bensonville Circuit.* Rev. T. A. Sims, pastor, and I. N. Holder, assistant. Brother Sims's health has been poor nearly all the year, and but for the vigorous efforts of Brother Holder and another local preacher and the exhorters the work of this circuit would have suffered greatly, or more than it did. There are two Sabbath-schools connected with this circuit, and the possibility is that a third one will be organized before the end of next year. These schools are reported to be in good condition. There have been some accessions to the church in both places. I had thought to recommend Brother Sims to take a supernumerary relation for at least a year, or till his health improved, but on consultation with him he thinks that he is so improving that he will be able to take work.

*Brown Station.* Rev. R. Boyce was reappointed to this place last Conference. He has labored under many disadvantages, and yet he is hope-



ful. Last year the Legislature granted us, on petition, one hundred acres of land, and the president gave an order for the survey of said land out of any public land not otherwise appropriated. The land has been surveyed on a beautiful site of splendid soil. The deed will be drawn soon. Brother Boyce, in connection with his other work, has nearly gotten out with his own hands, unaided, a house frame, such is his zeal and anxiety to do somethin gthat will tell in the near future for the Master. He has also begun to cut a farm on the land granted, where he expects, if returned there for another year, to plant a good lot of coffee and other products for self-support. The District Conference gave him \$8 to aid him in carrying the timber to the place selected for the house. Can any thing be done for this place this year, so as to get the farm properly on foot and get the building up? I trust so. I commend this to your favorable consideration.

For *White Plains* premises, according to arrangements at the last Conference, I was authorized to collect material and build a two-story brick house (36 by 22) on the hill where the mission farm once flourished; also to open the farm. I cut and cleared about six or eight acres last April, and planted cassada, which didn't do much, because the farm did not burn; but later on I had potatoes planted on a part of the place. I got from Rev. A. H. Watson, on an order of Bishop Taylor's, two thousand coffee scions, and had them planted, and I bought three thousand more at two cents apiece and had them all set out on the farm at the cost of one cent apiece. They are doing tolerably well, all things considered. I also had the old walls on the waterside taken down, and the brick and rock carried up on the hill, and Brother G. W. Parker, our mason and preacher, laid the foundation with stone (36 by 22). The walls would have been up but for the native war that began in April, and is not yet fully settled. Native laborers could not be gotten, so great was the excitement among them. Mr. Thomas Mitchell was greatly hindered in getting out the timbers for the work—the joists, rafters, sleepers, girders, etc.—as per agreement; but recently he notified me that he would be ready to deliver it soon. I have brick, sand, and lime on the spot to begin the walls with just as soon as Brother Parker can get relieved from a pre-engagement at Monrovia. The windows and door-frames are all made of durable timber—cherry and white gum. The iron roofing-nails and washer-nails, paints and oil, sash and glass, the locks and hinges, from Liverpool, for the house, are all to hand. I have a good quantity of inch cedar and brimstone plank saved, ready to be brought to the spot. To say the least, brethren, notwithstanding the many drawbacks, we have the work of White Plains in good progress. Brother J. D. Carter has rendered efficient service in seeing after and superintending the work in my absence. In connection with the building materials as named, that were sent out, I received other packages of goods, provisions to pay for the work, etc., a detailed account of which I cannot give in this report. I hope to be able to prosecute the work to better advantage this year and season. Pray for our success. Brother Buckwalter, mission carpenter, sent out by the bishop to assist in

the buildings, has had severe attacks of fever, but is nearly acclimated now, and is ready to go to work. He says: "I will soon be at it."

*The Mount Coffee Work* was begun by Rev. W. P. Kennedy, Sr. Just as he had well begun the Gollah War broke out, and that section of the country was entirely broken up, and he had to flee. Since it has somewhat abated he has resumed his work, and the natives are returning and rebuilding their towns. Brother Kennedy has planted some coffee and collected lumber for a house. His report is full of interest. I submit the district as being in good condition. May the great Head of the Church preside over this session, so that we may go from here strong in God and in the power of his great might.

#### CAPE PALMAS AND CAVALLA RIVER DISTRICT.

##### Bishop Taylor reports as follows :

*Pluky.* Lizzie McNeil, assisted by Miss Benson. Owing to Miss McNeil's illness the past year, but little direct work has been done in the town, but their family of adopted children of about a dozen are saved, and witnessing for Jesus. We find it difficult to get good farming land for Pluky Station, hence it is not as forward in self-support as the stations before named.

*Garaway.* Agnes McAllister. The war is over, and peace and prosperity are resting on Garaway Station ; plentiful food supplies from their farm ; a boarding-school of twelve boys ; seven baptized. She has four thousand coffee scions in nursery, coming on, and a good supply of indigenous food.

*Tataka.* Annie Whitfield in charge. Miss Whitfield has been ill, but has recovered. She has two acres of fine ripe sugar-cane, a thousand coffee-trees planted out, and six thousand in nursery, with farm supplies in variety. She has seven or eight adopted children who know God, and who are "glorifying him as God" before the evil days of apostasy can sweep them into the abyss of ruin by the flood which sweeps down all who do not thus timely glorify God. Annie holds services regularly in the big town of King Caharry, and when she cannot go she sends her children to testify for Jesus, and they invariably get a respectful hearing.

*Beabo.* H. Garwood in charge. He has a good crop of food supplies ; has a few hundred coffee scions set out, and three thousand in nursery, also a good crop of sugar-cane. He is teaching children and preaching to adults, and doing in every way a good preparatory work, but reports no conversions to God as yet.

*Bararobo.* Miss Dingman in charge. She has been there but a little over a year, and found not a hill of potatoes growing on the mission farm ; but already she has a good outset of coffee-trees and three thousand in nursery, and abundant supplies of indigenous products. The wilderness and solitary place are glad for Miss Dingman, and the natives are glad, for she is teaching their children "book," and "God palaver" to all classes of the heathen.

*Gerribo.* Cerinthus Gibson and wife. Brother Gibson has been on



this new station but a year or less, and has been hindered by a war between his tribe and the Webbo tribe, up the river; but Brother Gibson is, nevertheless, making a good beginning and will succeed.

*Wallaky.* William Schneidmiller in charge. This is the "big town" of the Gerribo tribe. Brother Schneidmiller preaches daily in the native town, and has a few boys in school. His people love him, and he will do them good, but as yet none have fully accepted the Saviour. His farming is progressing favorably.

*Hada Hrabo.* Sandy W. Yancey and wife in charge. A station of a few months' standing, but reports seven boarding scholars, a good crop of vegetables, and six thousand coffee scions in nursery.

*Bonika.* W. C. Luning and wife. This station also is less than a year old. Brother Luning reports five boarding-scholars, a good crop of vegetables, and six thousand coffee scions coming on. Brother Luning preaches in the native language.

*Plebo.* William Yancey and wife. This station is old, but in this and the two preceding our mission houses are of native construction, hence but temporary. We have not as yet available means for the building of permanent houses. Meantime our workers in them are well and doing good work, and the growing coffee orchards of these stations give us a guarantee of permanent results. Plebo yields good crops of food supplies, a growing field of coffee, and four thousand nursery scions.

*Barreky.* William Warner and wife. Good crop of sugar-cane, some coffee-trees well on, and thousands of scions in nursery. They have four or five converts from heathenism, and a small school besides, and regular preaching services.

*Wissikah.* Hugo Heppe and wife. As yet we have but a country house, built by the natives without pay, for the mission. The mission farm has a superior quality of soil, and Brother Heppe, with a little help, "is cutting and burning bush," and will plant plentifully this season. He is also planting coffee scions. His field for teaching and preaching is opening hopefully.

*Yubloky.* Boston and Bettie Tubman, man and wife. They have set out some hundreds of coffee scions, and have six thousand more in nursery. They have twelve boys and one girl in boarding-school, and a good supply of food from the mission farm. Altogether, they are making a grand success.

*Yorkey.* Miss Bates in charge. She has no room as yet for boarding scholars, though many applicants. She is a superior worker, and holds regular services during the year. An addition to the much larger number of last year, but I have not received a definite report of aggregate church membership.

*Piquinini Ses.* A large town; a wild, warlike people. The departure of our ladies from there—Miss Beynon to help Miss McNeil, and Miss Dean on account of illness—left the station without a missionary, but the people want one, and I expect to send them a good man and wife shortly.

*Grand Ses.* James B. Robertson. He is a hard worker. His land is

poor, and does not yield plentifully, yet it does supply in part. He preaches daily, and teaches a number of boys. He has this year baptized seven who professed to have savingly received Christ, but I have not received a report of the church membership. Scores are reported as seekers, but so many of them go to sea that it is hard to keep track of them, though some return with a good report.

*Sastown.* K. V. Ekman. He reported a converted membership of one hundred and ninety-five, and three new sub-stations in the interior countries of the same tribe, with a mission-house on each, built by the country people, and manned by our converted Krumen. This wonderful progress is owing largely to the fact that a few Krumen from Sastown spent some years with the Wesleyans in Lagos, and will give us an idea of how God will lead us when we shall have time to train native workers. Our other Kru Coast stations have been duly reported in the report of the Sinou District.

*Cape Palmas* is reported by Rev. J. M. Thompson, as follows :

God has most wonderfully manifested his goodness to us by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the conversion of precious souls and in sanctifying believers. "Praise his holy name!" The church is in a spiritual, healthy condition. The Lord of hosts is with us in pushing forward the victories of the cross. The cry of our heathen brethren all around us is to "Come over and help us;" hundreds are eager to know the ways of God; they want the "American people's God." I opened a Sunday morning service at eleven o'clock in Big Town, the Grebo capital, which has been attended regularly by King Hodge and chiefs, and hundreds of men, women, and children. As we tell them the story of the cross, and the love of God for sinners, tears stream from their eyes, and they often arise and express a desire to find or feel this in their hearts. Numbers have sent their names in, asking for the prayers of the church. The Lord has also wonderfully blessed us in building a chapel at Big Town (38 by 18), built by voluntary contribution. I have also organized a Sabbath-school at the same place, and up to the 30th of October had on roll one hundred and ten. King Hodge, Weah Doh, and Bodople, who can read, are enrolled as teachers, and they take great delight in teaching. This is a broad field of labor and requires consecrated men and women for the work. We already have some, and hope to raise a staff on the spot who are acquainted with the manners, customs, and habits of the people. I had a call for a day-school at Big Town, but for want of books and time to arrange for a competent teacher I have deferred the matter until my return home. I hope you will help us out in this matter. The people are so anxious to have their children Christianized that they are pressing them upon us by the scores. O, how my heart goes out for these people who have been so long in heathen darkness, but are searching for the true Light that lighteneth every one that will come unto him.

The Mount Tubman chapel, that was nearly down, has also been repaired, and Mount Scott church partially repaired, as you will see from the report of the trustees. Praise God that he is still with us to guide and lead. Pray for us. I am your servant in the Lord Jesus.

## ANGOLA DISTRICT.

## Bishop Taylor reports as follows :

*Loanda.* Burling,\* wife, and two sons, and Mrs. Roseman. They have an interesting school, regular preaching services, self-support, and a small measure of soul-saving success.

*Dondo.* J. W. Gordon,\* Rev. A. Kalin\* and wife. For some two years our very promising school-work at Dondo has been suspended for want of teachers. We hope to supply them very soon. It is a difficult, but most important field.

*Pungo Andongo.* W. P. Dobson.\* An interesting little society of converted natives was organized there a year and a half ago.

*Quiongua.* Robert Shields,\* preacher in charge assisted by Sammy Mead. This is a new station, pretty good clay houses and large farms, and an important field.

*Canandua.* William H. Mead,\* Minnie his wife, and five of his children. This is also a new station, large farm, good houses. These two stations were founded from self-supporting resources, principally at Pungo Andongo.

*Pungo Andongo Station.* Manned by A. E. Withey,\* wife, son Bertie, and two little daughters.

*Malange.* Samuel J. Mead,\* Ardella his wife, and Miss Susan Collins. Malange is a noble self-supporting station, with a church of twenty-three saved natives. This is a very poor report. The presiding elder wrote me in New York, some months ago, that he had forwarded his annual report to me at Monrovia, but, like his report of the preceding year, it did not reach me. We are subjected to great inconvenience through a defective postal system on this coast, so that I have to supply the lack of fresh detail of the grand work of God we have in Angola by generalizing from data now out of date.

God is with us, and we are bound to win. I planted five stations in Angola five and a half years ago, and now, through the self-supporting success of some of these, we have seven. All are self-supporting, but some of them are more productive than others in the extension of the work into the regions beyond. All glory to God. Amen !

Rev. A. E. Withey reports as follows to the District Conference at Nhangue :

FELLOW MISSIONARIES: God *was* with us at our Conference of 1889, has been with us through the year, and *is* with us now. "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit," still "saith the Lord of hosts." Let us "bring forth the headstone" of five years of building with him in Angola "with shoutings, grace, grace unto it." The first two years of our history *seems* "a day of small things." Who hath despised it? The last three years look much like the history of twelve men called from boats, nets, public offices, professions, etc., to learn that "it is by my Spirit, saith the Lord," whose notions and plans of what their blessed "Lord of

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\* Members of Conference.

all " wanted were lovingly dismissed by him, and they pointed to his simple and comprehensive instruction, " Ye shall receive the power of the Holy Ghost coming upon you, and shall be witnesses unto me."

The *proving* of such a company has always consumed much time; so has it been with us; but we certainly see signs of pentecostal "simplicity of intention" and "purity of affection," oneness of soul and great desire to be "carried away with the things that are lowly" among us. Have we not a well-grounded hope that "the saved" shall "be added" unto us?

In nearly all the stations there are some from among the heathen whose exact relation to God I cannot affirm, but who do give evidence of turning toward God and may at least be rated as "servants of God," looking toward "sonship." They were baptized by our beloved Bishop Taylor during his visit last year and entered as probationers. One of these, a lad, Muhongo by name, of Nhangue, whom we hope had saving faith, died recently very suddenly. He was at church the Sabbath before his death, and gave indications of an attentive heart to understand the way of salvation. One turned away, like those at Capernaum, when the Gospel sounded as a hard saying, others to wallow in the mire of native customs. Our probationers in Angola will not exceed twenty at this time.

Death has made no demand on our missionaries this year. One only has left us for America, C. G. Rudolph. Charles Dodson Mead has been added by birth, son of William H. and Minnie Mead. L. C. Burling and wife, with two children, and Janette Roseman have arrived from America, and occupy Loanda Station. Thus we number twenty-five. Christian A. Borella, from Denmark, has been among us since February last, and rendered much assistance. We think the Lord would have him remain among us.

I have been led to spend about one month in Malange, three in Pungo, two in Nhangue, four in Dondo, and two in Loanda during the Conference year.

Much diligence in acquiring the language and "preaching the word every-where" has been shown, together with seeking *love* that "edifieth" as an antidote for the "puff of knowledge," and as the source from whence all good works flow.

The tabular statement of finances, submitted herewith, will show what the Lord has been minded to add to our "seeking first the kingdom and his righteousness," and will show that the total income on the field has been in excess of expenses, and that all donations from every source are represented by outlays on property, which have more value than the amount expended, as the labor of our own skilled missionaries is not included in the valuation. The rule largely followed in this statement of values of mission property is that of *cost only*, which in many cases is much less than they could be built for. Our dear bishop, who has a wider range of estimate based upon location, land rights, and advantages, gives a much higher value, hence an apparent disagreement may be easily understood.

Our dear Brother S. J. Mead and wife (having no children of their own)



are providentially working, out the method of taking native children from their homes and rearing them in a mission-station. We desire our Father's holy "will" to "be done" in it "as it is done in heaven," and I have been led to lovingly exhort them to walk diligently before the Lord in proving his way. Those who have children of their own, whose entire sanctification they groan after, may well desire to wait until it is accomplished before admitting others in the same state to their hearthstone, lest the balance of power be so great as to defeat the end in view in both cases.

It seemeth good to the Holy Ghost and to me to declare concerning our health as missionaries that :

1. It is essential that mental and muscular labor should be equally combined.

2. Regularity of sleep should be rigidly observed ; retiring at eight or nine and rising not later than five.

3. Quiet for the brain be arranged for before retiring.

4. Six hours per day is the outside limit for labor in this climate, with one day in seven for *entire rest*.

5. As a precautionary measure against severe fevers, a regular treatment once in two months of chinchonizing the system, followed by purgative, should be carefully followed.

6. Carefully limiting the quantity of hearty food at one meal.

7. An ample protection of the head, neck, and spine from the heat of the sun.

Above all—

Let love in one delightful stream  
Through every bosom flow ;  
And union sweet and dear esteem  
In every action glow.

#### KONGO DISTRICT.

##### Bishop Taylor reports :

*Kempoko, Stanley Pool.* B. L. Burr, preacher in charge, L. B. Walker, James Harrison, M.D., Hiram Elkins, and Roxey his wife. All self-supporting, all at work among the natives, some of whom have been saved ; but I have not received definite details of their success.

*Luluaburg.* The brother appointed to succeed Dr. Summers in that remote but most interesting field has not been able to secure passage up the Kasai River.

*Isangula.* W. O. White, preacher in charge, William Rasmussen. Faithful men of God, grading and track-laying. The latter is at home on furlough to recruit his health.

*Vivi.* J. C. Teter, preacher in charge ; his wife Mary is a faithful coadjutor. Besides his transport work at Vivi he has opened a new appointment at Matadi, the starting-point of the Kongo Railroad. He has organized the Methodist Episcopal Church there and received by letter thirty-six members. The government has given us a lot, and soon we expect to build a church edifice at Matadi.

*Natombi.* Near Kongo River mouth. Miss Kildare in charge. She is.



efficient and most diligent in her work, but being surrounded by demoralizing influences her progress, in definite results, is not great, but she is most heroic and patient in her assiduous efforts to do good among the natives.

*Mamby.* Martha Kah, assisted by Henry Nehne. They have a good farm, superior mission-house, and a small boarding-school. Mamby is under a French protectorate, and we are required to teach all elementary branches of education in the French language. We have a missionary lady engaged *en route* to Mamby who teaches French.

## STATISTICS OF AFRICA.

BISHOP TAYLOR'S WORK.

NAME OF CHARGES.	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.
ANGOLA DISTRICT.				
Loanda.....	1	4	1	\$10,000
Dondo.....	.....	.....	1	5,000
Nhanguepepo.....	25	.....	1	3,000
Pungo Andongo.....	5	.....	1	6,000
Malange.....	.....	.....	1	6,000
KONGO DISTRICT.				
Luluaburg.....	.....	.....	1	300
Kimpoko.....	.....	.....	1	1,000
Isangala.....	.....	.....	1	300
Vivi.....	.....	.....	1	1,000
Natombi.....	.....	.....	1	500
Mamby.....	.....	.....	1	500
Matadi.....	.....	36	.....	.....
CAPE PALMAS AND CAVALLA DISTRICT.				
Yubloky.....	.....	.....	1	1,000
Yorkey.....	.....	.....	1	1,000
Tataka.....	7	.....	1	1,000
Bararobo.....	.....	.....	1	900
Beabo.....	.....	.....	1	900
Gerribo.....	.....	.....	1	800
Wallaky.....	.....	.....	1	900
Plebo.....	.....	.....	1	900
Barreky.....	5	2	1	900
Pluky.....	.....	12	1	800
Garaway.....	.....	22	1	1,200
Pequinini Ses.....	.....	.....	1	1,100
Grand Ses.....	7	.....	1	1,100
Sastown.....	.....	195	1	1,400
Wissikah.....	.....	.....	1	500
SINOUE DISTRICT.				
Niffu.....	.....	.....	1	1,000
Nanna Kru.....	.....	.....	1	1,000
Settra Kru.....	.....	.....	1	1,000
Ebenezer.....	.....	.....	1	500
Total.....	50	271	30	\$51,500

# STATISTICS OF AFRICA (Old Liberian Work).

## NAMES OF CHARGES.

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Monrovia District.																							
Monrovia.....	325	4	8	8	8	1	\$8,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Robertson and Talla.....	2	205	4	7	2	2	1,270	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
New Georgia.....	12	50	1	1	1	1	400	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Johnsonville.....	6	60	1	1	1	1	25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Payneville Circuit.....	15	98	3	3	2	2	35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Marshall.....	15	56	2	2	2	2	400	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
St. Paul's River District.																							
Caldwell Circuit.....	16	195	1	2	6	16	2	2,000	...	...	6	\$18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Virginia and Brewerville.....	11	185	5	4	8	20	2	4,000	...	...	200	100	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Clay Ashland Circuit.....	3	135	4	2	7	2	2,000	...	...	57	63	44	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Millsburg and White Plains.....	2	48	2	1	2	1	2,000	...	...	189	13	38	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Robertson.....	1	25	1	1	1	1	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Arthington.....	1	15	1	1	1	1	125	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Careysburg and Bensonville.....	2	175	1	2	6	7	2	1,400	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Brown Station.....	2	2	2	2	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Bassa District.																							
Mount Olive Circuit.....	2	88	2	4	2	4	1	30	...	...	100	...	400	...	15	1	10	65	...	\$8	6	3 00	
Edina Circuit.....	10	275	5	5	6	19	1	500	...	...	400	...	...	...	40	1	30	215	...	...	...	...	
Farmington.....	25	28	1	2	2	10	3	2,000	...	...	60	...	...	...	25	1	7	24	...	...	...	...	
Bexley Circuit.....	8	125	1	2	2	10	3	2,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	27	3	36	100	...	...	...	...	
Upper Buchanan.....	3	66	5	1	4	1	275	...	...	150	15	37	...	...	28	1	10	40	...	...	...	...	
Lower Buchanan.....	18	28	1	2	4	1	...	...	...	200	...	...	...	...	3	1	7	37	...	...	...	...	
Paynesbury.....	1	38	1	1	1	1	600	...	...	62	13	6	...	...	10	1	3	37	...	...	...	...	
Gibboom.....	1	25	1	2	1	1	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	1	3	30	...	...	...	...	
Cartertown.....	15	55	2	4	4	5	1	500	...	...	90	...	...	...	20	1	6	30	...	...	...	...	
Sinou District.																							
Greenville Circuit.....	7	276	2	5	6	9	1	900	1	\$150	...	...	...	...	12	1	20	175	...	...	...	...	
Lexington.....	...	28	1	2	1	1	300	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	1	9	30	...	...	...	...	
Louisiana and Bluntville.....	...	65	1	1	1	2	600	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	1	9	100	...	...	...	...	
Cape Palmas District.																							
Mount Scott and Tubmantown.....	6	393	6	9	18	4	3	5,775	...	...	327	10	658	...	50	8	65	540	...	\$12	...	89	.....
Total.....	160	3,094	51	69	93	97	35	\$33,187	1	\$150	\$1,876	\$232	\$1,225	\$304	37	437	2,691	\$24	\$12	\$8	\$1,208	\$42 59	

# SOUTH AMERICA.

English work commenced in 1836. Spanish house-to-house work commenced in 1864. Spanish preaching commenced in 1867.

UNDER SUPERVISION OF BISHOP WARREN.

## MISSIONARIES FROM THE UNITED STATES.

Charles W. Drees, Sup't,	Thomas H. Stockton,
Charles W. Miller,	John F. Thomson,
John M. Spangler,	Thomas B. Wood,
A. W. Greenman.	

## TRAVELING PREACHERS FURNISHED BY THE MISSION.

### ELDERS.

Lino Abeledo.	Rudolph Gerber,	Andrew M. Milne,
Juan C. Correa,	Antonio Guelfi,	William Tallon,
Joaquin Dominguez,	George P. Howard,	*Daniel Armand Ugon.

### ELDER AND DEACON ELECT.

Francisco Penzotti.

### DEACONS (ELDERS ELECT).

William T. Robinson.	Juan Villanueva,	Robert Weihmuller.
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### DEACONS ELECT.

George G. Froggatt,	Juan Robles.
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### PROBATIONERS.

Ramon Blanco,	Silvio S. Espindola,	Rodolfo Griot.
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### †LICENSED PREACHERS.

Venancio Aguirre,	Juan Escande,	Carlos Lastrico,
Charles Buntin,	Luis Ferrarini,	Carlos Lazzare,
Angel Cerezola,	A. E. Holder,	W. C. Morris,
Justo Cubilo,	I. Pozay Merino,	Remigio Vazquez,
A. E. Martin,	Antonio Viteri,	Fred. W. Thomson,
Benson A. Prichard,	James Triggs,	Fred. W. Wilks.
Arthur Walker,	A. M. Hudson,	

### EXHORTERS.

Jose Anon,	William Bennett,	Wm. H. Smith,
Pedro Anselmini,	John Bradford,	D. A. Williams,
Angel Oddo,	Joseph M. Daniells,	J. H. Edgecumbe.

\* Minister of the Waldensian Church, employed as Principal of Colonia Institute.

† Of the persons whose names are given in the list of local preachers and exhorters, only ten receive any part of their support from mission funds. All serve freely, and many with great sacrifice of time and money, in the various departments of the work.

## WIVES OF UNITED STATES MISSIONARIES.

Mrs. C. W. Drees,	Mrs. C. W. Miller,	Mrs. T. H. Stockton,
Mrs. A. W. Greenman,	Mrs. J. M. Spangler,	Mrs. J. F. Thomson,
	Mrs. T. B. Wood.	

## MISSIONARIES OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Miss M. E. Bowen,	Miss Eleanora Le Huray,
Miss Minnie Z. Hyde,	Miss Mary F. Swaney,
	Miss Elsie Wood.

## APPOINTMENTS FOR THE YEAR 1891.

CHARLES W. DREES [Cincinnati], *Superintendent* [P.O., 718 Calle Corrientes, Buenos Ayres].

## ARGENTINE REPUBLIC.

*Buenos Ayres, First Church*, T. H. Stockton [Newark]. *Buenos Ayres Circuit*, J. F. Thomson [Central Ohio], W. T. Robinson [N. England]. *Entre Rios*, Juan Robles [N. England], one to be supplied [C. Lastrico]. *La Plata*, Joaquin Dominguez [N. England]. *Mendoza*, C. W. Miller [Alabama], R. Griot [N. England]. *Mercedes*, S. S. Espindola [N. Hampshire]. *Rosario and Carcarana*, J. M. Spangler. *Rosario Circuit*, Lino Abeledo [New Jersey], one to be supplied. *San Carlos Circuit*, Robert Weihmuller [Cent. German]. *Santa Fe, Central Circuit*, Rudolph Gerber [Cent. German].

## URUGUAY.

*Canelones Circuit*, to be supplied. *Colonia Circuit*, to be supplied [D. A. Ugon]. *Montevideo*, A. W. Greenman [N. Ind.]. *Montevideo, Aguada Circuit*, Antonio Guelfi [New Jersey]. *Montevideo, First Charge*, G. P. Howard [New Jersey]. *Montevideo, Second Charge*, to be supplied. *Tacuarembó Circuit*, to be supplied. *Trinidad Circuit*, William Tallon [N. England], G. G. Froggett [N. England].

## PARAGUAY.

*Asuncion Circuit*, Juan Villanueva [N. England].

## BRAZIL.

*Porto Alegre*, J. C. Correa [N. England], one to be supplied.

## PERU.

*Callao*, to be supplied [F. Penzotti].

T. B. Wood [North-west Indiana], *President of Theological Seminary*; member of *First Church Quarterly Conference* [Buenos Ayres]. A. M. Milne [N. England], *General Agent American Bible Society for South America*; member of *Buenos Ayres Circuit Quarterly Conference*. Francisco Penzotti [N. England], *Agent of American Bible Society for West Coast of South America*; member of *Rosario Circuit Quarterly Conference*. Charles W. Drees [Cincinnati], *Editor and Agent of Publications*.

## SCHOOLS OF WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

*Buenos Ayres*, Eleanora Le Huray. *Rosario*, Mary F. Swaney, Elsie Wood. *Montevideo*, Minnie Z. Hyde, Mary E. Bowen.

Rev. C. W. Drees, D.D., Superintendent, reports as follows :

The external conditions under which the operations of this mission are carried forward present little change as compared with last year. We were then compelled to call attention to the financial crisis which had come upon all the countries which constitute the field of our labors. No relief has as yet come to the distress that is so widely felt. Little has been done but to make new discoveries of the venality, corruption, and maladministration of the former government. The public faith in the integrity of the rulers of the land has been rudely shaken ; many are saying, " Who will show us any good ? " Commerce has decayed, industries languish, public works are paralyzed, and the laboring classes are suffering from lack of work and the excessive increase in the cost of living ; many who thought themselves well armed against adversity have seen the foundations swept from beneath them. The present administration has seemed utterly at a loss in its efforts to discover some remedy for the existing evils. Light has not broken as yet, and no one pretends to predict when these countries will again enter upon the ascending grade. People of all classes, directly and indirectly related to the mission, have shared in the common suffering. Notwithstanding the dark tints of this picture, there are features which throw a better light upon our work. The fidelity of our people to their vows, the self-sacrifice with which they have continued to support the work of the Gospel, the triumph of their faith in the midst of adversity, have proven that there is in them a living testimony to the power of a true faith in God to bring relief to temporal disaster. Moreover, this time of suffering has given an opportunity to preach the Gospel, and to carry a message of comfort to many who in prosperity were too much occupied with the things of this world to be mindful of that kingdom which is not of this world. In general the services of the church were never so largely attended as at present ; a most excellent spirit prevails throughout the work ; revival services have been held in a number of different places, and we have been permitted to see sinners turning to Christ, and finding through him the pearl of great price. The reports for the year show a cheering increase in all the important interests of our work.

Having made this general statement, it is our purpose to utilize the space given us in the general report of the Society in a rapid review of the work of the mission, for the purpose of setting forth its present extent and character. It seems the more important to do this, because for several years past the annual report from this mission has been limited to a general view of the field without entering into details as to the distribution of the work.

Beginning, then, with the natural and the real center of the work of our Church in South America, we call attention to

#### THE CITY AND PROVINCE OF BUENOS AYRES.

The work in this division is carried on chiefly in English and Spanish, with some incidental work in Italian.



*The First Church, Buenos Ayres*, Rev. T. H. Stockton, pastor. This church is closing the fifty-fifth year of its history, and probably never had a wider influence, nor was engaged in a greater number of enterprises, than at present. The central congregation maintains its character for steady and reliable work. Its morning services are largely attended, and its Sunday-school is doing efficient work. A series of special services held early in the year gave cheering results in the conversion of a number of the younger members of the families connected with the church. The Young Men's Association still continues its regular work. Offshoots from this central congregation have sprung up in different places in the city and suburbs, notably in the maritime portion of the city called "La Boca," where, under the efficient and self-sacrificing efforts of Mr. W. C. Morris, a large hall has been kept open for regular mission services in English. The attendance necessarily fluctuates, owing to the character of the population; but this very fact serves to extend their influence, for seafaring men who have enjoyed the privileges of that place of worship have carried with them the blessings there received over the wide waters. Some of them return after prolonged absences, as to a spiritual home, when they again find themselves in this port. An English day-school, patronized by employees of the extensive port works in execution, has been maintained through most of the year. The suspension of the works referred to has resulted in a decrease of the attendance upon this school; it is expected, however, that when better times return this enterprise will win much support and exert a valuable influence.

In Belgrano we have united with ministers of the Scotch Presbyterian Church to maintain regular weekly services. In the western portion of the city, called Almagro, an additional English service was held throughout the year, until the removal of the Theological School to another location deprived the people worshipping there of an adequate place of meeting. To the efforts of the Rev. Mr. Milne is due the establishment of a preaching service and Sunday-school in the suburban town of Banfield. Another instance of individual enterprise is the work which has been initiated by Mr. A. E. Holder in the quarter of the city called Barracas. This gentleman has gathered about him a number of young lads, carrying on with them what may be called institute work, comprising educational and religious influences which will doubtless be of great benefit to those who are availing themselves of them.

Mention should be made of an important enterprise inaugurated by the Rev. Mr. Stockton, which, though not organically connected with our church, is designed to be an adjunct to it; and, it is hoped, will be ultimately incorporated therewith; this is the North American Normal School, a high-grade educational institution, well organized, with an efficient corps of teachers, and patronage from many of the best families of the city. Its pupils number about one hundred. If the necessary resources and appliances can be secured for this institution, it doubtless has a future before it.

*Buenos Ayres Circuit, Spanish work.* This work has continued during

the present year under the care of the Rev. J. F. Thomson, D.D. The year has been marked by very noteworthy expansion of the activities of this department of the mission. Its central point of activity and influence is located in the church edifice in the center of the city. Here a large congregation gathers each Sunday evening to hear the message of the Gospel, generally filling the church to its utmost capacity. A feature of this work, which attracts the attention of all who become familiar with it, is the Wednesday evening prayer-meeting. The lecture-room of the church is almost invariably well filled at this service, and the evangelistic character of the meetings exercises its influence upon the whole of our church in the city; those engaged in the out-stations come to this central altar to have the fires of their zeal and devotion rekindled. The Sunday-school connected with this congregation has largely increased during the year.

Radiating from this center, the lines of activity have been pushed out in all directions through this vast metropolis. Going northward, we find in Calle Junin, near the aristocratic quarter of the city, but also in touch with those who are disinherited of fortune, the mission which is the successor of the old church in the Paseo de Julio. This comprises a day-school, with an enrollment of about 180 pupils, chiefly from the poorer classes of the people. A considerable proportion of these pupils also attend the Sunday-school, which during the mild weather was so numerously attended that it became necessary to hold the sessions in the open court of the building. Preaching and prayer services are also held here. Still farther to the northward we find another mission chapel in Calle Medrano, near the famous Palermo Park. Meetings were opened in a hired house in this neighborhood early in the year. One of our most efficient lay workers, Mrs. Magdalena Chiarella, has been doing the work of a missionary in that portion of the city, visiting from house to house, gathering the children for the Sunday-school, and exerting a wide influence for good. A day-school for girls has been opened in this place of worship and successfully maintained without any expense to the mission. The enrolled pupils reached at one time forty. While the attendance has fluctuated somewhat, the school itself has been maintained without interruption. Continuing northward, we come to the suburban town of Belgrano, where, in the same hall used by the English congregation already referred to, a Spanish Sunday-school has been gathered, chiefly by the efforts of Mrs. Fletcher. Still farther in the same direction, and a dozen miles beyond the city limits, lies the suburban town of San Fernando, where, during a considerable portion of the year, meetings have been held in Italian, meeting the desire of a few friends, one of whom opened his own house for the purpose. Returning to the central point from which we set out, and starting again due west along the main axis of the city, we find another place of meeting in Calle Pasco, in a small hall belonging to the Theological School. During a portion of the year this service was located in Almagro, and during that time, and since its removal, the hall has been frequently crowded with an attentive congregation, while Sunday-school has attracted about forty children. Farther westward, in

the town of Flores, a place of meeting has been provided by members of our church residing there. This constitutes another of the regular appointments on the circuit plan of the city. Owing to the efforts of those who compose the Young Men's Christian Association of the Spanish Church, a mission has been opened in the town of San Miguel, and also at the *estancia* of the same name. At the latter place the owner and his family have become deeply interested in the word of God, and have found what is to them really a new life through their faith in the Gospel.

In the south-western portion of the city are two places of worship, distant about a mile one from the other. One of these has but recently been opened, while the other has been in operation almost two years. For a year past it has occasioned almost no expense whatever to the mission, the rent of the hall and all other expenses being met by the persons attending there, and by others interested in the work. The maintenance of these places of worship has been due largely to the efforts of Messrs. Hudson and Crovetto. Besides the Sunday-schools held in these two places of worship, still another has been maintained for some years in Mr. Hudson's house. In a little chapel belonging to the mission in North Barracas meetings have been held with increasing interest throughout the year. We complete this hurried review of the activities of the mission in the city and suburbs of Buenos Ayres by the mention of the Spanish meetings opened by Brother Morris in the Boca mission hall. Thus all the chief divisions of this great city are provided in some measure with the means of evangelization. These activities might be greatly increased if the number of workers were sufficient to give due attention to the services.

*La Plata.* Outside the city of Buenos Ayres, and in the province of the same name, we have to mention La Plata, the famous new city, built to serve as the capital of the province. The work here has been regularly maintained throughout the year, without any remarkable growth; recently, however, there seems to have begun a new awakening of interest, and we hope for the best things.

*Balcarce.* Two hundred and fifty miles south from the city of Buenos Ayres, and not far from the sea-coast, lies this town, whose population may be estimated at about four thousand. In response to the invitation of the principal of the government school in this place one of our preachers was sent there early in the year. His public discourses, given in a large ball-alley, were largely attended, and awakened so much interest that it was deemed necessary to arrange for the permanent residence of one of our preachers in that place. Without entering into the interesting details of the development of this work, it may be said that at the close of six months of actual work our church has an enrollment of sixty-two probationers; the Sunday-school has an attendance of about sixty children; subscribers to our mission paper number about sixty. The influence of the work has extended to the neighboring towns of Loberia, Mar del Plata, and Necochea; and it is most likely that a large circuit will soon be organized, covering all that fruitful and wealthy portion of the province.

West from Buenos Ayres lies the important town of *Mercedes*, with a good church building, and with the support of earnest and faithful friends. The work in this town has continued with increasing interest and prosperity during the year. Especially during recent weeks has attention been called to the Gospel by the presence in that place of the Bible carriage, from whose platform large numbers of copies of the Scriptures have been sold, and many a message of truth has been proclaimed. The parish priest took up the challenge which has been for years before the public of these countries, offering a prize, or forfeit, to whosoever should be able to successfully prove the charge, so often launched against the Bibles circulated by the agents of the Bible Society, declaring them to be spurious and adulterated copies of the word of God. The endeavors of the priest to prove his thesis only brought upon him the ridicule of the intelligent people of the place, and served to show the weakness of his cause. The result has been a real triumph for our cause.

Westward from Mercedes, on the line of the Provincial Railway, is the town of *Chivilcoy*. In this place Luis Ferrarini, a man of humble appearance but great faith, has gathered about him a large number of persons, who have become thoroughly permeated by the influence of the Gospel. There are a number of witnesses to the saving power of Christ whose words are confirmed by the remarkable change in their lives. In the neighboring towns of Suipacha and Bragado preliminary work has been going on through the influence of friends from Chivilcoy and Mercedes. Similar lines of influence have resulted in recent weeks in the establishment of stated services in the town of Chacabuco. This place has been visited by Brother Espindola, the pastor of the church in Mercedes, and the meetings are held in his absence by one of the converts of our church. The people have, without pecuniary aid from the mission, rented and fitted up a place of worship. The places thus far mentioned exhaust the list of regularly established congregations within the territory of the province of Buenos Ayres. Various other places, among them Pergamino, an important railway center, and Chascomus, have been visited by Dr. Thomson during the year. From these and other places we have urgent invitations to establish congregations. The province of Buenos Ayres, with its numerous lines of communication, its rapidly developing agricultural interests, its increasing population, and the large number of important towns easily accessible, constitutes one of the most important and accessible portions of our whole field. There is scarcely one among a score of towns where the preaching of the Gospel would not be joyfully received. Indeed, the influence of the work in Buenos Ayres has been felt, through the instrumentality of individuals who have come under its influence, all through this territory, and a prepossession most favorable to our work has been almost every-where created.

*Central Argentina.* This general division comprises the provinces of Santa Fe and Entre-Rios, the work being divided at present into five pastoral charges.

*Rosario and Carcarana.* English work, Rev. J. M. Spangler, mission-



ary. This work is not only entirely self-supporting, but has developed an unusual proportion of charitable and other incidental activities. Although the chapel in Rosario is very unsuitably located, and inadequate to the service of the congregation, it is filled with earnest and attentive listeners. A number of conversions have occurred during the year, and the indefatigable activity of the pastor in seeking after the wanderers and those that are out of the way is worthy of all praise. In view of the distress consequent upon the financial crisis, the official board of this church, led by the pastor, determined to erect and furnish a night shelter for homeless wanderers. This has provided protection and relief for many persons during the severe winter weather. The establishment of a sailors' home and the maintenance of an efficient Young Men's Christian Association have been also largely due to the co-operation of Mr. Spangler and the members of his church. Services have been continued as before in the town of Carcarana, located on the Central Argentine Railway some thirty miles west of Rosario. At Canada de Gomez, in the property purchased last year, an efficient work has also been conducted.

*Rosario Circuit.* Spanish work, the Rev. Lino Abeledo, preacher in charge. The year has been marked by a noteworthy increase of interest. Services have been held in the chapel, whose use is shared with the English congregation, and also in the school-room of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society Home. Besides these principal places of meeting, Sunday-schools and incidental services are held in two other localities in the city. Visits have also been made to Canada de Gomez, where we hope soon to have an organized congregation. The development of this work, already secured, and its further advancement urgently require a more suitable place of worship.

*Central Argentine Circuit.* German work, Rev. R. Gerber, pastor. This work continued under the care of Brother Gerber until his failing health rendered it necessary for him to be relieved from active work. Since then a young man connected with the congregation, and influenced largely by the example and guidance of Mr. Gerber, has been recommended to receive license as a local preacher, and has been conducting the usual services in the German language until the present time with great acceptability to the people. All the usual departments of church activity are maintained in connection with this work. The large German community in Rosario, intimately connected as it is with the German colonies in the interior of the province, offers a very promising field for church work. The people are as sheep without a shepherd. We have earnestly requested that a German missionary be sent, either from the United States or from Europe, to assume the leadership of this work.

*San Carlos Circuit.* Rev. R. Weihmuller, preacher in charge. The difficulties arising from the hostility to Methodism of a limited number of the influential people of this colony have continued throughout the year. Notwithstanding this, Brother Weihmuller enjoys the confidence and esteem of the general public. He has continued the work of preaching in the center of the colony. A school, organized and developed chiefly



during the present year, has been remarkably successful, the number of pupils having exceeded fifty, their parents contributing the larger portion of the sum necessary for the maintenance of the work. Preaching services on this charge are conducted by Brother Weihmuller in French, German, and Spanish. The work of the school is also making itself felt among the Italian population, which forms an important element in that region.

*Entre-Rios Circuit.* Rev. J. Robles, preacher in charge. In Parana the work of the mission has been continued successfully, despite the difficulties growing out of the unsettled condition of affairs arising from political agitation. At times during the year the night services were almost without attendance, owing to the fact that at sundown the people shut themselves into their houses, and avoided going into the streets, through fear of molestation by the authorities acting in the interests of one of the political parties. This embarrassment to the advancement of the Church has been partly counteracted by resorting to house-to-house visitation and neighborhood prayer-meetings, several of the people having opened their houses for the purpose. In Tala, where Carlos Lastrico, a local preacher, is in charge of the work, there has been a satisfactory development of interest on the part of the surrounding population, of Waldensian descent, and also more recently among the inhabitants of the town itself. Land has been donated, and \$700 has been contributed toward the erection of a church; and it is hoped that, with a large harvest, that now seems probable, the people will be able to carry this enterprise to a successful termination. Besides stated work in these two centers of the province, much itinerating work has been done. Nogoya, Victoria, Diamante, La Paz, San Gustavo, and other places have been visited, all of them once, and several of them more than once, during the year. In Victoria Brother Robles was cordially welcomed, and his public discourses in the largest hall in the place were attended by the most influential people of the town, who begged him to repeat his visits, and have made provision for a place in which to hold his services, and also for his traveling expenses. Similar interest has been manifested in Nogoya. Earnest petitions have come from this and other places for the sending of evangelists and school-teachers. Entre-Rios, in many respects the most fertile and attractive of all the Argentine provinces, offers a very promising field for our work. The fact that we have had but two preachers in all that region has made it impossible to respond adequately to the demands of the situation. We propose, if possible, to organize in this province two circuits, one of them to comprise points along the Parana River, with its center at the city of Parana, and the other towns on the Uruguay River, with a center at Concordia or Concepcion.

*Cuyo District.* Our work in this region comprises congregations already organized in the capital cities of the provinces of Mendoza and San Juan, with lines of influence extending to other portions of these provinces, and also to the neighboring province of San Luis.

*Mendoza Circuit.* Rev. C. W. Miller, missionary; Rev. R. Griot, assistant. The most salient point in the development of the work in

Mendoza during the present year has been the organization of a day-school under the care of Brother Griot; the number of pupils enrolled has been sufficient to provide for all the additional expense involved in this work. English preaching has been maintained throughout the year. Messengers from this central point, acting as colporteurs, have visited other places in the neighborhood of Mendoza, and also the town of San Rafael, which latter place is situated almost exactly in the geographical center of the province, but is nevertheless almost at the extreme southern point of inhabited territory. Both in the town and in the French colony some leagues distant great interest has been awakened and an earnest desire for the organization of an evangelical church. Petitions to this effect have been sent in to the superintendent of the mission, with the assurance that the people are prepared to afford assistance for the support of a pastor and provision for a place of worship. Pending the response to this petition, a member of our church residing in San Rafael has opened his own house for worship, and himself conducts religious meetings with his neighbors, reading and studying the word of God, and engaging in prayer. In San Luis friends have been found who also desire the opening of our work.

*San Juan.* Rev. V. Aguirre, preacher. The opening of this new work has been one of the interesting features in the history of the mission during the year now closing. Previous visits had been made by colporteurs of the American and British and Foreign Bible Societies, and the seed sown in this way had germinated. A few services had been held without much publicity in private houses, but no aggressive movement had been made. A report of the favorable character of public sentiment, and of the express desire of some individual families, had attracted the attention of the superintendent of the mission. It had also awakened the interest of a friend of gospel work in South America, who, upon becoming familiar with the facts, proposed to the mission to contribute £50 sterling toward the initiation of the work. Brother Aguirre, by whom most of the seed had been sown, was selected to take up this new position under the guidance of Mr. Miller, the missionary in charge of that region. He established his residence in San Juan early in January of the present year. As soon as a house had been rented which afforded a sufficiently commodious hall for the opening of the services, the inauguration was publicly announced. The superintendent of the mission, together with Messrs. Miller and Aguirre, were present on the occasion. Two public discourses were delivered. The public responded to the invitation, filling the hall to its utmost capacity. Many of the leading citizens were present, among them two members of the cabinet of the provincial government, prominent lawyers, and professors in the far-famed educational institutions of the place (founded by the late President Sarmiento). Their expressions of interest and approval were most encouraging. Some apprehensions had been entertained that in this place there would be a departure from the almost uniform spirit of tolerance which prevails in these countries; it was thought that some disturbance of the services might be undertaken.

These fears were not realized, and the meetings have been continued with constant interest throughout the year. Even at the time of this first inauguration the property in which the work had been begun was offered to us for sale on what seemed to be most advantageous terms. There being no appropriation for this purpose, it was thought impossible to entertain the proposition, until the same gentleman who had contributed to the inauguration of the movement generously offered to assume the payment of the first installment of the purchase price, amounting to \$3,000 Argentine currency. In view of this fact and the eligible character of the property, together with the great advantage of securing from the outset a permanent home for the mission, it became our conviction that it was a duty to accept this generous offer. The mission in San Juan is therefore at this early stage well provided with a place of worship, accommodations for a school, and residence for the missionary. Statistics of this work up to the end of August report 12 members in full connection, 19 probationers, 60 adherents, services held in two additional places besides the central chapel, 44 children enrolled in the Sunday-school, a property valued at \$12,000, and contributions to local self-support besides the special donations already referred to of about \$150.

An interesting feature connected with the work in the Cuyo provinces is the fact that it both receives and reciprocates influence upon the work of evangelization in Chili. Both in Mendoza and San Juan we have found Chilians who were familiar with the well known and venerable Dr. Trumbull, the founder of Chilian Protestantism; while other persons converted in our churches pass over the mountains to join hands with the evangelical churches on the Pacific coast. With the opening of railway communication between Mendoza and Valparaiso this reciprocal influence will doubtless be greatly increased, and there will come to be an actual union of effort between the gospel work on both sides of the Cordillera.

#### REPUBLIC OF URUGUAY.

This constitutes the second national division of our field. The mission received early this year a most valuable accession of strength in the coming of the Rev. A. W. Greenman, whose long experience in Mexico and familiarity with the Spanish language enabled him without delay to enter upon most efficient service. Our work in the eastern district, comprising Uruguay and southern Brazil, will take on new life under his enterprising and skillful leadership.

*Montevideo*, the capital, is comprised in three pastoral charges. Montevideo Circuit, Rev. G. P. Howard, pastor, includes the old city on the peninsula and the new section lying eastward. The central point is the church edifice, formerly a small theater, where for years the Gospel has been preached and hundreds of souls have found the light. The inconveniences to which the work is subject, from the fact that the building comprises but the audience-room, covering the whole site, with its entrance doors right upon the sidewalk, with two street-car lines within

fifteen feet, whose cars, drawn by three horses, pass every four or five minutes on a stiff up-grade and sharp curve, with clatter of hoofs upon the rough granite paving-stones, and with shout of drivers, blowing of horns, and cracking of whips, are very great. Nevertheless the congregations are always large, generally filling, and often crowding, the house. The year has been marked by a goodly number of conversions and a considerable increase in self-support contributions, notwithstanding the prevailing financial distress. This charge counts 151 full members and 75 probationers, 6 regular preaching-places, and 8 Sunday-schools held during the whole or a part of the year. All departments have been efficiently maintained by the earnest and successful pastor.

*Aguada.* Rev. A. Guelfi, pastor. This charge lies in the northern portion of the city bordering on the bay, with two places of meeting, three Sunday-schools, and a nascent church organization.

*English Charge.* This work has been conducted by Brother Greenman in connection with his general oversight of the district, and has shown in every department the results of his faithful and wisely directed efforts. The proper organization of our working force requires the appointment of a missionary to the English-speaking residents, who naturally look to us for pastoral care, leaving the presiding elder free for the wider activities which invite him.

*Canelones.* The work on this circuit has been continued by evangelistic tours, or rather visits, reaching the towns of San Ramon, Santa Lucia, and Capurro. In Santa Lucia great interest has been recently developed, and the way is opened to a regular organization of the work.

*Colonia Circuit and Institute.* The work of preaching, so far as done under our auspices, has been carried on by two students, members of our church, who are pursuing studies preparatory to the ministry. The Institute (*Liceo evangelico*) has been conducted by the Rev. D. A. Ugon, a Waldensian minister, long in friendly relations with our mission and employed by the society for this special work. It also had the general supervision of the Rev. Dr. Wood up to the time of his departure for Peru. The number of students enrolled has been forty, a number of whom are regularly matriculated for the university course under the government plan of education. Those who were presented for examination at the close of the last school year won high commendation from the University Board of Examiners.

*Central Uruguay.* This circuit, under the care of the Rev. William Tallow, assisted by the Rev. G. G. Froggatt, comprises two established congregations, with Sunday and day schools, at Trinidad and Durazno, and a widely extended field covered by means of evangelistic tours reaching the towns of Florida, San Jose, Mercedes, Paysandu, Salto, etc.

*Tacuarembó.* Circumstances beyond our control have hitherto prevented the resumption of this work, which we hope very soon to take up efficiently.

*Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil.* Rev. J. C. Correa, preacher in charge. The new order of things in Brazil, with the great increase of immigration



and stimulation of commercial activity, has acted favorably upon our work. In Porto Alegre our little place of worship is often crowded to its utmost capacity. The need of a suitable place of worship is most urgent. In view of the appropriations made last year for purchase of property, a very eligible location was secured, but the purchase could not be consummated owing to an unfortunate failure to get necessary action of the Board in New York. It is just to say that this was not due to any lack of promptness at this end of the line, but to an involuntary omission to bring the matter up at a suitable time. The result was a great disappointment to our friends. With two congregations, two Sunday-schools, and three day-schools, our work in Porto Alegre is exerting a good influence. A wide field is before us in the colonies of the northern part of the State. Brother Lazzare has continued to do the work of an evangelist, visiting the people in their homes and preaching from neighborhood to neighborhood. At Alfredo Chaves the chapel is nearly ready for occupancy, having been erected chiefly by the labor and contributions of the little church upon a site given by the colonial administration. Similar enterprises are on foot in Bento Gonzalves and Conde de Eu. The influence of our work in all that region is rapidly extending. Referring to the suggestion which has been made, that we withdraw our efforts from this region and limit them to Spanish-speaking countries, it is proper to say here that the geographical situation and the climate and productions of Rio Grande do Sul put that Brazilian State into very intimate relations with Uruguay and the other River Platte countries, and make it form naturally a part of our field.

#### PARAGUAY.

Rev. Juan Villanueva, preacher in charge. The work in Paraguay has continued to prosper in spite of the utter prostration of the material interests of that country. Pestilence and attempt at revolution have come in to add to the difficulties of the situation, and Brother Villanueva was prostrated by a month's illness. Nevertheless, the interest and attendance upon the preaching has increased, and the attendance upon the school has advanced largely, the enrollment during the year being considerably over one hundred. Brother Villanueva's visits to the scattered colonies, chiefly of Germans and Swiss, have been attended with much interest and fruitful of great good. This field greatly needs re-enforcement. An efficient missionary from the United States would find a most interesting field. A man of good abilities and force of character could acquire great influence and do much to mold the future of the country. It is hoped that the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society will also send a missionary for this field.

#### PERU.

The important fact of the year has been the final issue of Brother Penzotti's case. After more than eight months of rigorous imprisonment, during which the charge against him was tried by all the courts up to the Supreme Bench of the country, he was declared inno-



cent and set at liberty. This has been a real triumph for our cause, since it has established, to say the least, a precedent for a liberal interpretation of the letter of the law, which in its strict meaning and original intention would absolutely exclude all liberty of teaching and worship. The interest and sympathy awakened in England and the United States, as well as in South American countries, the action of the United States and British diplomatic representatives, and the attitude of the Evangelical Alliance have all contributed to give an almost world-wide significance to the events referred to.

One grand result has been the resolution of our society to prosecute the work begun amid such difficulties and so signally favored of God. The Rev: T. B. Wood, LL.D., long connected with this mission, has been appointed to the presiding eldership of that district as an integral part of this mission, and has already reached his destination accompanied by his family. His eminent abilities, complete command of the language, and large experience give ground for the expectation of the best results. These results, however must not be looked for speedily. The power of the Roman *curia*, the dense ignorance of the masses, the force of social customs, and other influences form barriers more difficult to overcome than in any other country of South America, save perhaps Bolivia and Ecuador.

The attendance and interest in the services of our little church in Callao were maintained without interruption during Brother Penzotti's imprisonment, and were greatly stimulated by his release. Much interest and sympathy are felt in different circles, and a prepossession in favor of Protestantism has been created. It remains to follow up the work with patience and faith, looking for the divine blessing. Let the Church pray for Peru.

#### BOLIVIA.

During the early part of the year the Rev. J. F. Thomson, D.D., having reached the city of La Paz on the journey referred to in last year's report, resided there for a number of weeks. He found the conditions to be substantially those set forth in the report of the previous journey of the superintendent. J. B. Aranzet, a member of our church and colporteur of the American Bible Society, was prosecuting his work quietly and successfully. At the same time he was holding meetings in his own dwelling. These meetings were greatly encouraged by Dr. Thomson's presence. As a means of bringing to the attention of the progressive young men of the city the character and aims of our work in its outlook toward the ignorant and degraded masses of the Indian population, he called about him a little company of these young men, and organized them into a society for the promotion of the Sunday-schools on the original lines upon which the latter were begun, namely, to give elementary instruction and thus prepare the way for religious teaching. A courageous and prudent missionary would find it possible to secure vantage-ground for the prosecution of gospel work in Bolivia. There are friends ready to sympathize with and help forward such an enterprise.

## VENEZUELA.

We have been unable to do any thing during the year toward following up the preliminary work done in this republic by members of this mission, but are still hoping that in the near future our Church may enter that most interesting field.

## CONNECTIONAL INTERESTS.

*Theological School.* Without entering into a full statement, it may be said that good progress has been made in the organization of this important institution. It continued under the direction of the Rev. Dr. Wood till July 15, when it passed under the direct administration of the superintendent, who has been efficiently aided by the Rev. W. T. Robinson. The number of students has reached fourteen, two of whom have been assigned to work in the mission, while another has taken service with the American Bible Society.

*Mission Press.* Most of the administrative labor has been done by Brother Robinson. The editorial staff has been strengthened by the accession of Mr. A. M. Hudson, who has had supervision of *El Estadarte*. There has been a large increase in the sale of books, periodicals, etc. The number of pages printed exceeds one million. The valuable aid of the Sunday-School Union and the Tract Society has been most opportune and most highly esteemed. We are feeling most keenly the need of increased facilities for this department of our work.

## WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY'S WORK.

As the facts in detail are elsewhere laid before the Church, our limited space compels a very brief mention of this important element of our missionary agencies. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society's work in this field has been thus far limited to the three stations, Buenos Ayres, Montevideo, and Rosario. Of these the oldest, and in many respects most developed, is that of *Rosario de Santa Fe*. The coming of Miss Mary F. Swaney to take charge of the boarding and day schools has proved greatly to the advantage of these, and the efficient aid given by Miss Disosway in the direction of the home has brought about a great improvement in the general state of the work. Important repairs in the building have changed its appearance, and when further carried out will increase its capacity and convenience.

*Buenos Ayres.* Miss Le Huray's efforts have been successfully addressed to the advancement of the grade of the central department of her school. A new day-school for primary grades has been opened without expense to the society.

*Montevideo.* Misses Hyde and Bowen, missionaries. The important facts are the reduction of the number of the primary schools and the great advance made in the development of the high-school. It has been demonstrated that there is a wide field for such an institution.

We close this rapid and imperfect review of our continent-wide field with gratitude to God for his blessing, with recognition of the generous support and sympathy of the society, and with bright hopes for the future.

# STATISTICS OF

## CIRCUIT OR STATION.

	Foreign Missionaries.	Assistant Missionaries.	Foreign Missionaries Wom. For Miss. Society.	Native Workers of Wom. For Miss. Society.	Nat. Ordain'd Preachers.	Nat. Unord'd Preachers.	Native Teachers.	Other Helpers.	Members.	Probationers.	Adherents.	Average Attendance on Sunday W. ship.	Conversions during the year.	Adults Baptized.	Children Baptized.	No. of Theol. Sch. ls.	No. of Teachers in same	No. of Students.
<i>I. Argentine Republic.</i>																		
Buenos Ayres: 1st Charge.....	2	2	..	..	..	7	..	5	175	20	1,200	500	..	..	81	..	..	..
Buenos Ayres Circuit:																		
Buenos Ayres.....	2	2	1	4	1	5	6	14	260	239	1,500	650	80	..	44	1	4	14
Balarce.....	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	62	100	40	20	..	6	..	..	..
Chivilcoy.....	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	14	27	115	60	12	..	4	..	..	..
Entre Rios Circuit.....	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	39	18	943	120	10	..	101	..	..	..
La Plata.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	2	26	23	100	80	20	..	2	..	..	..
Mendoza.....	1	1	..	..	..	2	3	80	48	300	80	80	2	1	13	..	..	..
Mercedes.....	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	24	100	250	110	16	1	5	..	..	..
Rosario and Carcarana.....	1	1	..	..	..	8	..	1	83	1,200	200	200	20	..	48	..	..	..
Rosario Circuit.....	..	2	7	1	1	..	..	..	28	43	150	170	12	..	5	..	..	..
San Carlos.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	2	11	100	38	..	..	..	..	..	..
Santa Fe, Central Circuit.....	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	25	..	100	25	..	..	31	..	..	..
San Juan.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	12	19	60	40	6	..	5	..	..	..
<i>II. Uruguay.</i>																		
Canelones.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	14	25	15	..	..	..	..	..	..
Colonia.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Montevideo:																		
First Charge.....	..	2	6	1	2	3	5	..	151	75	800	500	20	4	11	..	..	..
Second Charge (English).....	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	34	21	130	100	6	..	3	..	..	..
Third Charge (Aguada).....	..	..	2	1	1	..	..	..	22	40	200	80	..	..	4	..	..	..
Tacuarembó.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	6	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Trinidad and Durazno.....	..	..	..	1	1	2	2	..	28	52	600	150	..	..	22	..	..	..
<i>III. Paraguay.</i>																		
Asuncion Circuit.....	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	20	18	700	150	5	4	29	..	..	..
<i>IV. Brazil.</i>																		
Alfredo Chaves.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	26	16	80	30	..	..	2	..	..	..
Bento Gonçalves.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	30	54	150	50	4	4	3	..	..	..
Porto Alegre.....	..	..	..	1	..	4	1	..	8	70	180	80	5	..	25	..	..	..
<i>V. Peru and Bolivia.</i>																		
Callao.....	..	..	..	..	2	..	10	..	35	90	200	130	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total for 1891.....	7	7	5	19	11	29	25	53	1,073	1,159	9,203	3,348	188	14	399	1	4	14
Last year.....	6	6	6	25	12	23	21	42	985	880	8,635	3,235	105	21	301	1	4	10

NOTE.—All sums of money are given in United States gold value. No. of Orphans: Rosario Circuit, 18. No. of Parsonages, or "Homes," 4: Buenos Ayres, 1st Charge, 1, estimated value, \$16,000; Rosario Circuit, 1; San Juan, 1, estimated value, \$2,000; Colonia, 1. Debt on Real Estate: San Juan, \$1,200.

# SOUTH AMERICA.

No. of High-schools.	No. of Teachers in same.	No. of Pupils.	No. of other Day-schools.	No. of other Day Scholars.	No. of Sabbath-schools.	No. of Sabbath Scholars.	No. of Churches and Chapels.	Estimated Value of Churches and Chapels.	No. of Halls and other Places of Worship.	Value of Orphanages, Schools, Hospitals, Book Rooms, etc.	Collected for Missionary Society.	Collected for other Benevolent Societies.	Collected for Self-support.	Collected for Church Building and Repairing.	Contributed for other Local Purposes.	Volumes Printed during the year.	Pages Printed during the year.
..	..	..	..	8	250	1	\$64,000	2	....	\$140	\$71	\$5,252	\$596	\$88	....	....	
1	5	44	3	337	7	540	3	25,000	5	*\$4,000	156	116	2,414	881	182	34,985	1,018,960
..	..	..	1	60	1	40	1	250	1	....	..	..	212	....	7	....	....
..	..	..	..	..	..	1	50	..	1	....	4	8	60	....	18	....	....
..	..	..	..	..	2	80	8	5,500	5	..	5	7	224	281	105	....	....
..	..	..	1	25	1	80	1	1,500	..	..	4	5	78	....	..	....	....
..	..	..	1	28	1	80	1	8,000	..	..	9	4	193	....	99	....	17,500
..	..	..	..	..	3	135	1	10,000	1	..	17	6	257	27	82	....	....
1	1	12	2	158	2	90	..	27,000	..	..	42	21	1,900	200	850	....	....
1	1	13	1	59	1	51	2	1,500	2	+16,000	12	12	516	70	....	....	....
..	..	..	..	..	1	70	..	..	1	..	6	5	515	....	..	....	....
..	..	..	..	..	1	70	..	..	1	..	23	6	444	..	58	....	....
..	..	..	..	..	2	44	1	2,000	2	..	..	..	295	1,000	..	....	....
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1	5	42	..	..	1	20	1	200	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	500	..	800	..	..	500	..	..	....	....
1	4	98	4	282	5	350	2	35,000	4	..	11	76	1,609	..	725	....	....
1	2	48	..	..	1	107	..	..	..	..	97	70	1,690	..	166	....	....
..	..	..	2	161	2	140	2	500	3	..	21	18	457	..	64	....	....
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....
..	..	..	2	50	2	75	1	2,500	2	..	5	5	693	..	40	....	....
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....
..	..	..	1	120	1	80	1	5,000	3	..	..	53	661	260	7	....	....
..	..	..	..	..	1	10	1	850	1	..	..	..	..	60	..	....	....
..	..	..	..	..	1	15	1	300	1	..	8	6	3	72	24	....	....
..	..	..	8	203	2	80	..	..	3	..	9	6	647	..	..	....	....
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....
..	..	..	..	..	1	60	..	..	..	..	..	..	333	..	..	....	....
6	18	257	21	1,483	44	2,587	27	189,100	33	20,800	564	495	123,642	3,447	2,505	34,985	1,085,460
1	7	89	21	1,355	37	2,118	23	183,100	33	19,780	582	341	23,226	4,120	2,613	101,800	1,165,500

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## CHINA.

Commenced in 1847.

WHEN our last Annual Report was issued it was expected that Bishop Foster would visit the missions in China in 1891. He was prevented by illness from undertaking the journey, and Bishop Goodsell, who was somewhat suddenly summoned to take his place, made his way to China and attended in the spring of 1891 the Foochow Conference and the missions in Central and North China. They were very greatly benefited by his presence, his faithful sermons, and his wise counsels in regard to all their work.

It is found best to abandon the idea of holding the Annual Meetings in the spring, and return to the custom of holding them in the autumn or winter months.

Rev. N. J. Plumb has returned from the Foochow Mission for a brief respite in the United States. His present address is New Haven, Conn. The mission has been re-enforced by the arrival in January, 1892, of Rev. G. S. Miner and family, and Rev. R. L. McNabb and wife. Mr. Miner has already entered on work in the Anglo-Chinese College at Foochow, and Mr. and Mrs. McNabb have proceeded to Hing-hua to assist Mr. and Mrs. Brewster in the work there.

Rev. J. R. Hykes and Rev. W. C. Longden have returned to their field in Central China.

W. H. Curtiss, M.D., of the North China Mission, brought his wife to this country for needed treatment and recuperation, but soon returned to his important field at Peking. Rev. J. H. Pyke and family, being obliged to return for a time to this country, have reached California, and will soon make their way to Indiana or Ohio. We hope to send two new families to the North China Mission during the present year.

The West China Mission has been re-enforced by H. L. Canright, M.D., and wife, who have entered upon the work at Chung-king. During the past year Rev. H. Olin Cady has taken up work at Chen-tu. We hope to send re-enforcements during the present year which will greatly strengthen the work in this mission.



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## FOOCHOW.

Commenced in 1847.

Organized as a Conference in 1877.

BISHOP FOSS HAS EPISCOPAL SUPERVISION.

POST-OFFICE ADDRESS OF MISSIONARIES, FOOCHOW.

## MISSIONARIES.

N. Sites, <i>Foochow</i> ,	W. H. Lacy, <i>Foochow</i> ,
N. J. Plumb ( <i>in U. S. A.</i> ),	J. J. Gregory, M.D., <i>Kucheng</i> ,
G. B. Smyth, <i>Foochow</i> ,	W. N. Brewster, <i>Hinghua</i> ,
M. C. Wilcox, <i>Kucheng</i> ,	G. S. Miner, <i>Foochow</i> ,
J. H. Worley ( <i>in U. S. A.</i> ),	R. L. McNabb, <i>Hinghua</i> .

## ASSISTANT MISSIONARIES.

Mrs. S. Moore Sites,	Mrs. Emma N. Lacy,
" Julia W. Plumb ( <i>in U. S. A.</i> ),	" Ida M. Gregory,
" Alice H. Smyth,	" Elizabeth F. Brewster,
" Hattie C. Wilcox,	" G. S. Miner,
" Genie A. Worley ( <i>in U. S. A.</i> )	" R. L. McNabb.

## MISSIONARIES OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Miss Carrie I. Jewell,	Miss Ella Johnson,
" Mabel C. Hartford,	" Lydia A. Trimble,
" May E. Carleton, M.D.	" Ellen M. Lyon, M.D.,
( <i>in U. S. A.</i> ),	" Ruth M. Sites,
" Julia Bonafield,	" Hu King Eng.

## FOOCHOW DISTRICT.

The presiding elder's report has not reached the office. We subjoin reports of the church paper, the college, and the Mission Press.

## THE FOKIEN "CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE."

*Ming Seng Hwoi Po.*

The Fokien *Christian Advocate* is a monthly magazine published at the Mission Press. It is partly a secular, and partly a religious, periodical. At the last Conference I was appointed editor in place of the Rev. N. J. Plumb, who was about to return to the United States on a well-earned furlough. It was new work for me, but I have been getting my hand in a little. I am glad to say that the circulation has increased during the year from seven hundred copies a month to nine hundred. The *Advocate* is read widely in this province and in Formosa, and has several readers as far south as Swatow, in the Canton province. A few copies go north to Shanghai and other places.

It is not possible to estimate the influence for good of a magazine of

this kind in a land where there is so little periodical literature as in China. It is not only a most valuable medium for the wide dissemination of useful information, it is also a powerful agency in strengthening the church, in encouraging the Christians, in making the humblest little society feel that it is not alone, but is part of the glorious Church universal. Isolated as Christians often are by the very fact that they are Christians, it is no small thing to receive the monthly visits of a friend who brings them news of the great outside world and tells them what their brethren in the faith are suffering and doing.

The circulation would be much larger if we had any thing like decent postal facilities. We have nothing of the kind, and a subscriber in the country cannot always count on getting his paper regularly. We think, therefore, that nine hundred subscribers make a very respectable showing. But I hope to see the list grow steadily larger, and the sphere of usefulness of this Chinese *Christian Advocate* broadened and enlarged.

GEORGE B. SMYTH.

#### REPORT OF THE ANGLO-CHINESE COLLEGE FOR THE YEAR 1891.

Rev. George B. Smyth, Principal; Mrs. Alice H. Smyth, Rev. W. H. Lacy, A.B., B.D., Mrs. W. H. Lacy, Instructors; Ting Maing Ing, Sia Tieng I, Assistant Instructors in the English Department; three Chinese teachers; Rev. Ting Heng Mi, Chief Monitor.

On the 29th of January our second class graduated. It consisted of five Christian young men of good attainments and high character. The graduating exercises were exceedingly interesting. George Phillips, Esq., the British consul, President of the Board of Trustees, presided. There were several foreign friends from the community present, and all testified to the pleasure with which they listened to the excellent essays of the graduates. In presenting their certificates Mr. Phillips made an excellent address, expressing great pleasure with what he had heard, and a warm interest in their future. Of the graduates, one is now a teacher in the college, one is an assistant to Mr. Lacy, Superintendent of the Mission Press, one is in the United States consulate at Amoy, and a fourth is a student in our theological school.

The work of the year has not differed much from that of previous years. I am well satisfied with the progress made by many of the students, and am confident that, considering that they have to devote half of their time to the study of Chinese, they are equal in their knowledge of English to any young men in China taught under like circumstances. The reputation of the school is growing, and several very interesting young men have lately come here from Amoy and Formosa. Three, the sons of wealthy merchants at Amoy, are boarding in my family, and within the last month two have come from the government school at Tamsui, Formosa. Their fathers, after reading our rules, and though knowing this to be a Christian school, preferred sending them here to keeping them in the government school.

Some of our students are very earnest Christians and render great assistance to the pastor in the work of the church. Two of them are

class-leaders, and are well known for the faithfulness with which they discharge their duties.

We have a College Young Men's Christian Association, of which Mr. Ting Maing Ing, one of the assistant teachers, is the president. Every Sunday afternoon the members meet. On one Sunday they have a prayer-meeting, on the next a sermon, on the third an experience-meeting, and on the fourth a Bible reading, and then they go over the same order again. The Bible reading is my special part, and very interesting and instructive to myself, at least, I find it.

All this is evidence enough to show that, though English teaching is the great feature of this college, the college is nevertheless Christian. Many excellent people are greatly alarmed over teaching the Chinese English. They speak as if the language of the English Bible, the language through which more than through any other God has spoken to the souls of men, were the choicest instrument of Satan for China's destruction. But though taught to the Chinese, it is not so; it is still the language of God, liable, as every other good thing, to perversion, but now, as for so many centuries before, a medium of high and holy communication, a treasury of vast stores of wondrous knowledge, a mighty agent to waken and inspire.

The characters of the students differ exceedingly, but they all feel to some extent the influence of the place. The change is most noticeable in those who have been with us for years, and in these the change is great indeed. They live on a different plane from that of heathen young men of their own rank and age; they think higher thoughts, have better trained minds, have nobler aims. Some of them, retaining their high character, as they go out from us will become centers of new influences among their fellows, help in the diffusion of a broader intelligence, and be examples and inspirers of richer and more fruitful lives. They will exalt men's conception of the religion they profess, they will take away the reproach of ignorance from its professors, they will add to the dignity and to the power of the Church.

I must add a word expressive of my appreciation of the work done by my colleagues. All of them have made great sacrifices in the interest of the school; sacrifices such as I could not have asked for; but they were made willingly and freely for the sake of the students. Teaching here requires unremitting attention, and steady, uninterrupted work, and I feel it no less a pleasure than a duty to thank them, and especially the ladies, for the faithfulness with which they have given themselves to it. Without the aid of the ladies the work could not have been done. I think, however, that such necessity should not continue to be laid on them. They could and would, if they had the time, devote themselves to work among the women of the neighborhood. To married ladies in this trying climate the steady, ceaseless work of a large school is a heavy burden indeed, and it is my earnest hope that the Missionary Society will soon send the college another teacher, and so afford them before long a much-needed measure of relief.

GEORGE B. SMYTH.

## FOOCHOW METHODIST EPISCOPAL MISSION PRESS.

William H. Lacy, Superintendent.

As the last session of our Conference, at which I was appointed to this work, was in March, it gives me at this date but seven months' work to report.

The fact that the press for years has maintained an excellent reputation for first-class work makes its present prosperity a natural result.

To assume in connection with my other work the responsibilities of our great publishing work here, with no acquaintance whatever with the business, and no practical experience as a printer, was no small undertaking. However, with our small supply of workers we at Foochow have learned that if we cannot be "masters," we must be ready to be at least "Jacks of all trades" that fall to our hands.

Statistics of the work done during the past seven months cannot now be given accurately, but at our Conference, which meets again within a month (November 18), I expect to report over ten million pages of work completed in these eight months. The good that these ten millions of pages of Scripture and religious literature shall do for China can never be estimated.

I wish here to record my most hearty thanks to the Bible Societies, and especially to our own American Bible Society, for the substantial help they are constantly giving to the missionary work. It is largely through their help we are able to wield the "sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God."

A large edition of the Bible will be completed ere these lines reach America. This is the first time the Old Testament has been published in the Foochow dialect as one book. Our members have scarcely known what a Bible is, for the classical edition has been too learned for them, and the colloquial translation has been but disconnected portions. This new edition is a union work of the British and Foreign and the American Bible Societies.

For the North China agency of the British and Foreign Bible Society we have just published an edition of ninety thousand copies of several Old Testament portions. This has taxed the capacity of the press to the utmost in connection with all its other work, some of the presses working day and night constantly.

It surely seems that the time has come when the facilities of the press should be enlarged by the substitution of a first class cylinder-press for several of our hand-presses. They have done good work, but they are not equal to the demands; working day and night, they cannot keep up with our small force of compositors. As the press is a self-supporting concern and profit on Chinese work is very small, we cannot supply our own needs in this line. It would be a most useful gift, and would bring in large returns in blessings to the Chinese and in joy to the giver, if some one whom the Lord has favored would give \$1,000 or \$1,500 to help us secure such a press as we need, with, perhaps, a small hot-air engine.



## HING-HUA DISTRICT.

Rev. W. N. Brewster, missionary in charge. P.-O. address, Foochow. We reached Hing-hua city November 7, 1890, eleven months ago. In five weeks our house was ready to occupy.

Dr. and Mrs. Sites came down from Foochow to the District Conference in the middle of December. Their presence and counsel, and Dr. Sites's remarkable fluency as an interpreter, greatly assisted in making the Conference one of remarkable spiritual power. Dr. Sia Sek Ong, delegate to General Conference in 1888, was also with us, and was a great help. The year opened with

## A REVIVAL

on the Hing-hua City Circuit. Open-air meetings were held in the city, its suburbs, and neighboring villages six days in the week, for as many weeks, often going to two or three places in one afternoon; besides daily meetings in the street chapel. At that time I could not speak two minutes in Chinese, so, of course, all the preaching was done by the native brethren. The pastor, Rev. Ling Ming Chiong, did heroic service, often preaching three or four times a day. The efficient presiding elder, Rev. Li Diong Chui, ably assisted all that his other duties would permit. In six weeks more than one hundred adults joined the church on probation. Many of these are clearly converted; forty-five have already been baptized, and others soon will be. These lambs are being carefully tended by pastor, assistant pastor, and older members. Since Conference met in March the daily preaching has been kept up by them, and so has the revival. I have been with them very little. Having learned a little of the language, I have traveled over the district almost constantly since Conference, except during the hottest months, when it is not safe to do so.

The revival on the city circuit has stimulated many other parts of the district. One or two circuits have even surpassed it in visible results, not less than two hundred having been added at Ung Su, and nearly as many at Sing Sang; while a good ingathering is reported at several other places. These results are

## EASILY ACCOUNTED FOR.

In attending the Quarterly Meetings I find by the pastors' reports that fully two thirds of the eighteen preachers on these twelve circuits are preaching outside of regular Sunday work from fifty to eighty times a quarter. Add to this the seed-sowing of the past quarter of a century by the native ministry and lay workers, and put in the wisely directed and heroic labor of former missionaries—of Dr. Sites, the veteran of our Conference, who has had charge of the district most of the time in recent years, and whose work has made this revival possible; of Rev. N. J. Plumb, of this Conference; of Rev. F. Ohlinger, now of Korea; and Dr. S. L. Baldwin, now Recording Secretary of the Missionary Society; and a dozen others who have traveled these valleys or educated these preachers—and what wonder that the harvest is being gathered! It takes but a little fire to spring the mine when the powder is laid; but the digging of that mine



and the laying of that powder may be the patient work of years. All honor to the mine-diggers of Hing-hua, and of missions every-where !

#### THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

has been doing excellent work. Two woman's schools, under the charge of Miss Hartford, of Foochow, taught by native teachers, have been educating forty women for Christian usefulness.

Mrs. Brewster has had charge of girls' day-schools and deaconesses. In ten day-schools nearly two hundred girls have been learning to read, and many have given their young hearts to God.

Some of the best work of the year has been done by the deaconesses ; but space forbids enlarging upon this fruitful theme.

A new girls' boarding-school is about to be opened, which gives promise of much usefulness.

#### OUR IMMEDIATE NEEDS.

*First.* A new missionary for educational and literary work in this new and hitherto unwritten dialect. The mission has unanimously asked for this. We expect to get him.

*Second.* A Woman's Foreign Missionary Society missionary. Their financial committee of this mission has requested the appointment. We confidently believe that noble Society will grant it.

*Third.* The prayers of all who read these lines, who wait and work for the coming of His kingdom ; and we have no doubt we will have them.

#### KUCHENG DISTRICT.

Rev. M. C. Wilcox, Presiding Elder. P.-O. address, Foochow.

This has been another year of prosperity. The membership has advanced in spirituality. All the circuits have been blessed with accessions to the Church. The fourth Quarterly Meetings—four of which have been held—are proving seasons of unusual power ; the love-feasts are times of refreshing to the soul. Thus far this quarter about thirty persons have been baptized and received to full membership. An unusual number have this year been transferred to the Church triumphant. As in the days of Wesley, so now, even in China, "our people die well."

In a short time we expect to dedicate a chapel at Duai-giang. Toward this enterprise the Missionary Society furnished \$150, while the members in that village, though few and poor, subscribed more than this amount. Work on this chapel was interrupted two months ago by several violent enemies of the truth, who declared that all Christians in China were soon to be exterminated and their places of worship destroyed. After moral suasion had been tried in vain, the case was laid before the district magistrate, who by energetic measures soon brought the offenders to their senses. Recently ten leading men of the village signed a contract to keep the peace and protect the Christians. The work on the chapel has been resumed.

This trouble was doubtless entirely local, and not in the least due to disturbances in other parts of China. Our district magistrate has promptly had the recent proclamation from Peking posted in every town and village.

Not long ago he called upon me to consult about additional measures for the security of missionaries and native Christians.

The boys' schools of this district, though fewer in number, are superior to those of former years. The girls' schools are also doing well, as is also true of the woman's school in this city.

We earnestly hope that our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society ladies may soon be enabled to open a girls' boarding-school here; that means will be granted without delay for establishing a boys' high-school; and that we shall not be disappointed a third time in receiving an appropriation for a hospital. Pray for us all and for our work.

#### YONG-PING DISTRICT.

Rev. M. C. Wilcox, missionary in charge.

Having received nothing from the presiding elder concerning the present state of this district, my annual report must be principally based upon a visit made last May and June.

The first circuit visited was Chiong-hu-pwang, where we have the largest membership in the district, and where considerable interest was manifested. We next spent several days at Fourteenth Township. Here also great crowds listened attentively to the Gospel, and during our stay sixteen persons joined the church as probationers. We visited every circuit on the district except one. In a large part of that vast region, the Foochow dialect not being understood, it was necessary to preach mostly through an interpreter. Nevertheless, on many occasions several hundred persons, most of them standing, would for an hour or more listen to the gospel message. This unusual willingness to hear the word causes us to hope for much fruit from that field in the near future.

At one time or another there has been persecution on nearly every circuit. It is well known that most of the disturbances are instigated by the proud *literati*. So we were encouraged at one place by receiving from one of these leaders a note expressing approbation of a sermon he had heard the evening before, and promising in the future to befriend the Church. He had been the leader of our persecutors in that locality.

The last place visited was Sa-gaing. There I had a very noisy reception, but had a good opportunity during several days to make known the gospel message to those who called at our place of worship in the *yamun*, or magistrate's premises. When the time came for me to leave, the magistrate furnished six soldiers to see me safely out of the city.

Owing to the malignant spirit manifested at Yong-ping two years ago, and in accordance with the request of the house-owner whose property we rent for church purposes, I did not enter that city, but met the brethren outside the wall. It has seemed at times that we would be obliged to give up our work at Yong-ping and several other places on account of the turbulence of the people. But now the outlook is more encouraging, and we hope for good results from mission work in that entire region.

No reports have been received from the Hok-chiang or Ing-chung Districts.

# STATISTICS OF

## CIRCUITS OR STATIONS.

	Foreign Missionaries.	Assistant Missionaries.	Foreign Missionaries, Wom. For. Miss. Soc'y.	Native Workers of Wom. For. Miss. Soc'y.	Nat. Ordained Preachers.	Native Unord. Preachers.	Native Teachers.	Other Helpers.	Members.	Probationers.	Adherents.	Average Attendance on Sunday Worship.	Conversions during Year.	Adults Baptized.	Children Baptized.	No. of Theological Schools.	No. of Teachers in same.	No. of Students.
<i>Foochow District.</i>																		
Tieng-ang Dong.....	1	2	6	17	3	5	..	..	184	80	200	250	35	37	16	..	..	..
Siu-liang Dong.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	8	5	30	10	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cing-Sing Dong.....	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	42	22	60	60	7	6	2	..	..	..
Hok-ing Dong.....	1	1	..	3	1	1	..	..	26	8	23	30	..	..	..	..	..	..
Gui-hung.....	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	45	10	45	30	..	..	..	..	..	..
Hung-mui.....	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	15	8	40	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ne Du.....	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	10	9	12	40	..	6	..	..	..	..
Sek-ngo Du.....	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	25	6	30	40	..	1	1	..	..	..
Lek Du.....	..	..	..	2	3	2	..	..	32	7	20	50	..	2	2	..	..	..
<i>Hok-chiang District.</i>																		
Geng-giang.....	..	..	..	3	1	2	..	..	122	115	200	200	16	1	8	..	..	..
Gie-hing.....	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	54	53	100	120	30	3	2	..	..	..
Ngu-cheng.....	..	..	..	..	1	7	..	..	116	117	274	210	84	11	15	..	..	..
Sing-dong.....	..	..	..	2	1	4	..	..	115	114	120	200	25	7	5	..	..	..
Ha-u.....	..	..	..	3	1	3	..	..	68	70	180	180	30	2	1	..	..	..
Ha-ieu.....	..	..	..	1	1	4	..	..	90	54	240	310	60	2	3	..	..	..
Deng-ang.....	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	40	30	51	51	6	4	6	..	..	..
Ngu-ka.....	..	..	..	1	2	1	..	..	27	20	80	70	20	3	2	..	..	..
Siek-geng.....	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	92	62	30	150	6	7	4	..	..	..
Gong-ing.....	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	..	58	73	85	100	12	3	1	..	..	..
Hok-chiang city.....	..	..	..	1	3	1	..	..	42	26	30	80	12	..	2	..	..	..
<i>Hing-hua District.</i>																		
Hing-hua city.....	1	1	..	4	3	2	..	..	69	150	200	250	40	40	12	..	..	..
Hang-geng.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	54	53	40	80	18	10	1	..	..	..
Lieng-cu.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	45	70	100	100	10	11	1	..	..	..
Sieng-ieu.....	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	39	100	200	140	10	11	4	..	..	..
Ung-su.....	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	49	270	170	200	42	42	26	..	..	..
Bing-hai.....	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	60	35	50	120	10	9	5	..	..	..
Nang-nik.....	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	34	10	6	40	15	4	..	..	..	..
Gie-dieng.....	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	57	30	60	120	20	8	3	..	..	..
Kiang-sang.....	..	..	..	3	..	8	..	..	58	150	220	250	50	32	4	..	..	..
Ka-sioh.....	..	..	..	3	1	1	..	..	77	44	20	120	20	6	5	..	..	..
Guang-au.....	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	97	10	10	140	10	11	8	..	..	..
Buo-hi.....	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	24	7	12	30	..	..	..	..	..	..
<i>Ing-chung District.</i>																		
Ing-chung city.....	..	..	..	1	2	1	..	..	28	10	45	45	1	1	3	..	..	..
Daik-hua.....	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	23	6	35	42	1	..	..	..	..	..
Chiak-cui.....	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	12	3	20	20	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dai-cheng.....	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	28	9	30	35	..	..	..	..	..	..
To-nguong.....	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	14	8	25	25	2	2	..	..	..	..
Tong-tau.....	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	28	7	30	35	5	5	3	..	..	..
Hu-iong.....	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	45	9	70	80	2	2	6	..	..	..
<i>Ku-cheng District.</i>																		
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Ku-de and Dual-giang.....	..	..	..	2	1	5	..	..	75	63	80	180	25	25	12	..	..	..
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Dong-huang and Cie-ding.....	..	..	..	2	1	1	..	..	32	7	40	85	6	2	3	..	..	..
Chong-tau and A-de.....	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	21	10	11	36	2	5	2	..	..	..
Tio-a and Hung-leng.....	..	..	..	2	1	3	..	..	55	28	115	120	17	5	2	..	..	..
Sek-baik Du.....	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	22	32	10	55	9	2	2	..	..	..
Seng-leng and Yang-ka.....	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	22	30	10	60	10	3	1	..	..	..
<i>Iong-bing District.</i>																		
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<i>Hai-tang District.</i>																		
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Dai-ho.....	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	50	20	50	75	9	18	4	..	..	..
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Last year.....	6	6	8	84	62	74	75	80	2,626	1,546	3,364	4,750	597	294	563	1	2	27

FOOCHOW DISTRICT: Tieng-ang Dong, Volumes printed during the year, 156,870;  
Pages printed during the year, 10,023,115.

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No. of High-schools.	No. of Teachers in same.	No. of Pupils.	No. of other Day Scholars.	No. of Sabbath-schools.	No. of Sabbath Scholars.	No. of Orphans.	No. of Churches and Chapels.	Estimated Value of Churches and Chapels.	No. of Halls and other rented Places of Worship.	No. of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Estimated Value of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Collected for Missionary Society.	Collected for other Benevolent Societies.	Collected for Self-support.	Collected for Church Building and Repairing.	Contributed for other-Local Purposes.	
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BOARDING SCHOOLS.—Anglo-Chinese College: native teachers, 4; students, 97. Theological school: native teachers, 2; students, 25. Boys' High-School (Normal Department): native teachers, 2; scholars, 83. Woman's Foreign Missionary Society (Girls' School): native teachers, 4; scholars, 70; Six Woman's Schools: scholars, 127; Hospital students, 9.

## II.

## CENTRAL CHINA.

Commenced in 1868.

BISHOP FOWLER HAS EPISCOPAL SUPERVISION.

REV. LESLIE STEVENS, *Superintendent (West Nebraska).*

## MISSIONARIES.

Leslie Stevens,	John C. Ferguson,
Robert C. Beebe, M.D. ( <i>in U. S.</i> ),	Ernest R. Jellison, M.D.,
John R. Hykes,	James Jackson,
Edward S. Little,	James J. Banbury,
George A. Stuart, M.D.,	Don W. Nichols,
Wilbur C. Longden,	A. C. Wright,
John Walley,	C. F. Kupfer.

## ASSISTANT MISSIONARIES.

Mrs. L. Stevens,	Mrs. J. C. Ferguson,
" R. C. Beebe ( <i>in U. S.</i> ),	" E. R. Jellison,
" J. R. Hykes,	" J. J. Banbury,
" E. S. Little,	" J. Jackson,
" G. A. Stuart,	" D. W. Nichols,
" W. C. Longden,	" A. C. Wright,
" John Walley,	" C. P. Kupfer.

## MISSIONARIES OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Miss Gertrude Howe,	Miss Emma E. Mitchell,
" Ella C. Shaw,	" Mary C. Robinson,
" Lucy H. Hoag, M.D.,	" Miss Sarah Peters,
" Frances Wheeler,	" Kate N. Ogborn.

## DEACONESSSES.

Miss Clara Collier,	Miss Laura Hanzlik.
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## APPOINTMENTS.

KIUKIANG DISTRICT, James Jackson, P.E.

*Hwang-mei and Kung Lung Circuit*, James J. Banbury (North Nebraska). *Kiukiang Institute and Hwa-shang-tung*, James Jackson (New York). *St. Paul's and Kiukiang Circuit*, Edward S. Little (Southern California). *Shui-chang and Wu-cheng Circuit*, John R. Hykes (Central Pennsylvania). *W. F. M. S.—School and Woman's Work*, Miss Gertrude Howe. *School and Woman's Work*, Miss Frances Wheeler.

WUHU DISTRICT, George E. Stuart, P.E.

*Tai-ping-fu and Superintendent of Medical Work*, George A. Stuart, M.D. (Des Moines). *Wuhu*, John Walley (Southern California).

NANKING DISTRICT, Leslie Stevens, P.E.

*Hospital Chapel*, supplied by E. R. Jellison, M.D.; assistant, Nieh



Chen Yieh (Japan). *North Nanking and President of Nanking University*, John C. Ferguson (New England). *South Nanking and Nanking Circuit*, Don W. Nichols (Missouri). *Superintendent of Medical Work and Philander Smith Memorial Hospital*, Robert C. Beebe, M.D. (North Ohio). *Dean of Medical School and Physician in Charge of Hospital*, Ernest R. Jellison, M.D. *Instructor of English and Student of the Language*, Miss Clara Collier. *Matron and Evangelist of Hospital and Student of the Language*, Miss Laura Hanzlik. *W. F. M. S.—Woman's Work and Day-School*, Miss Ella C. Shaw. *Boarding-School*, Miss Emma E. Mitchell.

#### CHINKIANG DISTRICT, C. F. Kupfer, P.E.

*West Gate Street Chapel*, C. F. Kupfer (Central German). *Chinkiang Circuit*, W. C. Longden (Wisconsin), A. C. Wright (St. Louis). *Yangchau*, to be supplied. *W. F. M. S.—Medical Work*, Miss Lucy H. Hoag, M.D. *School Work*, Miss Mary C. Robinson. *Woman's Work*, Miss Sarah Peters.

Rev. Leslie Stevens, Superintendent, reports as follows:

With devout thankfulness to "Him whose we are and whom we serve" we present to the Church our annual report of Central China Mission for 1891.

The first quarter of the year gave good ground for hope that we were about to reap an abundant harvest from the seed which had been sown by the many devoted men and women who have toiled in this field. At all our stations people were inquiring the way of salvation. Conversions were taking place and members were being added to the Church. Our methods of work and plans for the future were being better understood and appreciated, and a greater interest was manifested in all the details of church work by the people within our reach. Then came the anti-foreign riots, with all their attendant horrors, with which the world is familiar ere this. Our country work, from which we were expecting so much this year, has been greatly hindered, and a check has been put on our movements in many lines. So rapidly did the anti-foreign ideas spread among the worst element of society, which is always ready to loot and plunder friend and foe whenever an opportunity is offered, that just when we were most certain of great success in our work we were compelled to turn our attention to the preservation of what we had already acquired. Several missionary homes were temporarily broken up by the necessity of the families seeking a place of greater safety. One of the greatest trials the missionary has to bear is to have the people with whom he has been on friendly terms, and who were in the habit of welcoming him with kindly greetings, turn from him with expressions of fear or dislike—not because he is a Christian missionary, but solely because he is a foreigner. At this writing all seems peaceful on the surface, and our work is gradually assuming its normal condition. But the great question which has been on every body's tongue for some months remains unanswered, namely: "How will it end?" Many believe we have not yet

reached the darkest hour. No one can doubt that God is working in China in answer to the prayers of his people, and if a political, social, and moral earthquake is necessary to arouse this great empire from its death-like sleep, induced by centuries of heathenism, let it come! The storm will be followed by a blessed calm; the night by a glorious morning!

Notwithstanding the trying scenes our mission has passed through, and is still threatened with, our lives and property have been spared and, better still, our native Christians have not deserted the standard. They have remained faithful through much petty persecution. We confidently expect the Church to stand by us and the work it has undertaken in this field. If ever our missionaries needed sympathy, encouragement, and material aid from the home Church it is now. Anxieties have been multiplied. All are feeling the strain. Personal expenses have increased, and the most careful economy will be necessary for a long time to come to avoid increasing debt. The extra vigilance necessary to hold and strengthen what God and the Church has committed to them does not lessen the expense of their work. In peaceful times there are many ways of curtailing expenses without injury to the work. To attempt retrenchment now would be a confession of weakness which the enemy would take advantage of. The time for the withdrawal of supplies, arms, and ammunition is not in the heat of the battle, when the indications of a glorious victory are all in our favor. A careful examination of our statistics will show how God is able to care for his own in dark and trying hours. We are pleased to announce the return of W. C. Longden and family to the mission. Their visit to the United States has improved their health and quickened their zeal for the conversion of the world. With this general statement I leave the details of the various departments of the work to the following reports from the brethren and sisters of the mission.

#### NANKING UNIVERSITY.

Rev. J. C. Ferguson, President, reports :

The president of the university has the honor to submit his third annual report. The origin, plan, and organization of the university have been sketched in his two previous reports; in this only the progress of the year is noticed. Our development is slow on account of the fact that we have no class from which we can draw educated pupils. The ordinary Chinese schools content themselves with teaching solely Chinese composition, and though they do much good work which is thorough in its way, yet the pupils who come to us from them still need several years of training in rudimentary mathematics, geography, and history before they can enter college. The special government schools, of which we have two in this city, confine themselves wholly to instruction in English, so that pupils who come from them need even more preparation than those from the ordinary schools. We are thus forced to prepare our own students. This requires time, for it is the chief aim of the school to be thorough in its work and to maintain a high standard.

During the past year we have completed the purchase of all the land

which we need as a site for building. The deeds for the land were promptly and courteously stamped by the Chinese authorities, thus placing us in undisputed and peaceful possession of one of the most pleasant and useful situations in the city. About one-half of this has been already inclosed. In the inclosure stand our new "Fowler Biblical School," the generous gift of Mrs. Philander Smith, of Oak Park, Ill.; and our new "Sleeper Memorial Chapel," the gift of the three daughters of the late Hon. Jacob Sleeper, of Boston—Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Dutton, and Mrs. Harper. These buildings are very attractive and would be ornaments to any campus in the home lands. The school is a three-storied brick building, 40 by 60, with a basement, and has a tower for bell and clock reaching to the height of sixty-five feet. It has class-room accommodations for about one hundred students and dormitories for about thirty. The chapel is a Gothic structure, 33 by 56 on the inside, and is capable of seating from four hundred to five hundred people. It has a portico over the main entrance, and two class-rooms, each 12 by 16, at the rear. These new buildings do not stand in the same inclosure as the building of the preparatory school. It has been thought best to keep the younger students separated from the older ones, so that they may be kept under stricter surveillance. The two inclosures are, however, only separated about seventy-five yards. We have also during the year arranged a constitution for the government of the university, which was submitted to the Annual Meeting of the mission and was heartily approved. It provides for a local Board of Managers, for a Board of Trustees in America, incorporated under a charter, and for the government of the departments. We have now a large site, several buildings, and a Constitution, so that we feel that our work of founding and organizing is nearly at an end. The work of the future will be the development and strengthening of the departments.

#### PREPARATORY DEPARTMENT.

The numbers have steadily increased. During the first half year of 1891 we registered seventy-three pupils. The class of patrons is also improving, and we now have few applications except from those who are bent on study. We suffer somewhat by the coming and going of students, but this is incidental to all schools during their first years. Only in two or three cases have we lost any promising students. We have a staff of five native teachers, and one foreigner, Miss Collier. The native teachers are developing into appreciation of the work we are trying to do, and are enthusiastic over its success. Two of the five are Christians, but the others are reverent toward all religious exercises. The helpful influence of Miss Collier and her easy adaptation to her work are very noticeable. A strong religious spirit pervades the school, which results in constant accessions to the ranks of the believers. We were gladdened one day to have fourteen of the choicest of the students jointly present their names to the pastor as candidates for church membership.

#### FOWLER BIBLICAL SCHOOL.

The first class was organized in June, before the completion of the

building, and numbered six. Regular instruction has been given since that time, and the young men are showing proficiency and zeal in their work. This school is the only one of its kind in the whole valley of the Yangtse, and will have a grand future. We shall bend every energy to its immediate development. It already has a magnificent building and a good class of students.

#### MEDICAL SCHOOL.

The work of this department has been carried on by Dr. Beebe and Dr. Jellison. The school is well equipped with teaching appliances and is doing good work. It has been pleasing to notice the confidence placed by the people in the ability of our senior student, who has successfully carried on the work of the hospital and the outside practice during the absence of Dr. Jellison in the summer months. This indicates a good future for the students who graduate from our school, and speaks well for the thoroughness of the training given by those in charge.

The recent riots in China have not injured our school, but are rather reacting for its good. The prominence which has been given to foreigners and foreign things has aroused a spirit of inquiry among the people, who have become anxious to find out what we are doing. Amid all the rumors of foreign war and native rebellion we have had constant accessions to the school. We are sure that if the people come to know of the work we are doing they will heartily support it. The troubles help the people to this knowledge, and thus result in good for us.

We again acknowledge the constant help which we receive from friends in the home land, who so heartily support us by good words and generous gifts. Bishop Fowler is still incessant in his labors on our behalf. The missionary secretaries and the General Committee have also done for us all that was in their power. Two of our returned missionaries, Rev. John R. Hykes and Dr. R. C. Beebe, have made constant representations of our growing work. The superintendent and brethren on the field have also given us hearty support. We cannot express our appreciation of this help. Our work would have been impossible without it. We are assured for the future, and only aim to make our work so thorough and so Christian that we may retain such generous support. It pains us beyond measure to record the decease of Mrs. Elizabeth Sleeper Davis, who came to our aid with the first gift the university received. Her memory is precious to us. May God raise up other such friends! We press on, confident that the Church will sustain us in making this university one of the most useful and best equipped schools of the missionary world.

**SOUTH NANKING AND NANKING CIRCUIT.**—Rev. D. W. Nichols in charge.

I should be pleased, were space allotted me, to enter into a minute detail of the work and relate many incidents in connection with the same that might be of interest to the Church.

The work moves on slowly, but surely; advancement has been made, especially along the line of educating the people to know what we are here for. Until lately we have had no place on the charge where we might



hold what we would call a regular church service. We hope at this point to be able to develop a good domestic chapel. I have in my house preaching every Sabbath afternoon, prayer-meetings on Wednesday nights, and Bible-class on Friday nights. My other preaching-places in the city are on busy thoroughfares, where it is only possible to hold an interrupted preaching service. At these chapels we are privileged to preach to a great multitude of souls in a very short time. At either my South Nanking appointment or Shui Si Men I will preach to more different people in a week than in both the other charges in a year. We are sowing the seed broadcast over a very large territory; we can only pray and trust God that not all the seed sown has fallen by the way-side, and among the stones and thorns. But our faith is that some has fallen in the good soil. At these appointments we can only herald the Gospel to the crowds as they pass. To ask them to stop and sit down and listen to the reading of the word and to hear prayer is out of the question. We pray that some of the stewards of the Lord may give us money enough that we may build us a good, decent house of worship in some central location, where the interested from these street-chapels may meet with us; where we can read, sing, and pray without being molested. What a monument some one may build to the glory of the cross, in giving us the means for this work! The circuit work is only in its incipency, and until the people are better educated along the line of gospel preaching it is not practicable to hold other than street-chapel service.

Thank God for our house boat! I have often had those who had a desire to learn more of the doctrine come on the boat with me, where I have talked and prayed with them. At all the appointments on the circuit, with one exception, I have had to transform tea-shops into synagogues and stand on the street corners, "that I might be seen of men." From these street pulpits I have preached to multitudes of men. We hope when these riots and rumors of riots cease to establish ourselves more permanently in many of these places where we have been tilling the soil during the past two years.

I now have but two day-schools. Two of our schools had to be closed on account of the difficulties. I hope to be able to reopen them soon. I have on the roll twenty-six boys and two girls. None are farther advanced than the three character classic and the catechism. Owing to the disturbed state of affairs I have been able to do but very little work on the circuit, my attention being required in guarding my home.

At the beginning of this Conference year I transferred five of my members to the "hospital chapel" class, leaving me only five members and probationers on the entire work. One of our probationers has gone, to be with us no more, having fallen asleep, we trust, in Jesus. With these reductions, through the blessing of God, we now have the same number of members that we reported to our last Annual Meeting—that is, 5 full members and 5 probationers and 12 inquirers, who have expressed a desire to flee the wrath to come.

I have as usual given no small amount of attention to the work of dis-



tribution of books and tracts. With the aid of my helpers I have scattered abroad since January 1, 1891, more than thirty thousand. Fully two thirds of these have been the gospels. God grant that these leaves may be to the healing of many sin-sick souls. Our collections and private gifts since our last report have been as follows: Missions, \$17.70; other purposes, \$132.95; total, \$150.65. Our congregations are large and orderly. We bless God and take courage. The sower may be driven out or destroyed, but the seed sown, we have faith to believe, will bring forth an abundant harvest to the glory of God.

#### MEDICAL WORK.

E. R. Jellison, M.D., reports:

The work of the hospital continues to make a good impression on the people. Patients from fourteen of the eighteen provinces of the empire have applied for treatment at the hospital. Our patients include six native doctors, and one of them, who sees daily from thirty to fifty patients, regularly sends to us his severest cases. We are beginning to notice that our influence is extending in certain distinct directions. We hope in time to have an itinerating system so complete as to follow up with regular preaching the patients who have learned a little of the word of God from us during their stay in the hospital. Daily preaching in the chapel is still carried on while the patients are waiting to see the doctor. There has also been a daily evening meeting for the in-patients, members, and servants. During nearly the whole year twenty-five services were conducted weekly. Two teachers have given daily instruction in the Chinese character.

Brothers Nichols and Ferguson have alternated in conducting the Sunday morning service. Two physicians being in attendance nearly the whole year, the dispensary was opened daily. Last spring we were grieved to part with Dr. and Mrs. Beebe, who sailed for America to enjoy a much-needed and well-earned rest. Chinese and foreigners hope earnestly for their speedy return to the scene where their labors have been so signally blessed.

Mrs. Beebe had charge of the evangelistic work and Mrs. Jellison of the nursing in the woman's ward, until we were rejoiced by the arrival of Miss Hanzlik, a trained nurse full of vigor and enthusiasm, who soon took charge of the nursing and evangelistic work among the women.

With thankful hearts for past blessings we begin another year's work, hoping and praying for grace and wisdom to discharge the great responsibilities God has laid upon us.

Dispensary patients.....	9,036
In-patients.....	476
Visits to patients in homes.....	290
Operations performed.....	216
Deaths in hospital.....	2
Missionary collection (Mexican dollars).....	\$50
Money raised for the work (Mexican dollars).....	\$770

## WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Miss Emma E. Mitchell reports :

The end of the year stands out more prominently than the beginning, on account of disturbances and plans broken up.

We find ourselves now dating events from and before the riot, as scientists do from the flood. The year's work has been along the same lines as the previous year. The same number of dear children to care for, and tell again and again the sweet story of God's love. Up to our exodus we had twenty-five boarders. During the year five asked to unite with the church, and were on probation when we were so suddenly dismissed. These five coming out and taking their stand for Christ was the crowning event of the year's work, and warmed our hearts, giving us fresh courage to day by day teach "line upon line, and precept upon precept," and to lay siege to the Chinese heart; for they are so self-satisfied it is hard, indeed, for them to realize that they have sin. But in God we trust, and it is by his power we expect to win.

Our school was just beginning review of studies for examinations when the rioters came, and we realized that time, tide, and rioters wait for no man; and our school closed with a flourish of bamboo poles and the yells of a Chinese rabble.

## DEACONESS REPORT.

As the work of the Missionary Society has developed in China there has been a growing need of a class of helpers to do general work—a "whatsoever" staff.

The idea has been conceived in the minds of God's servants on the other side of the world of sending out deaconesses to meet this need. The plan has so far developed that on the 4th of March of this year two deaconesses arrived on the field. We are entirely under the authorities of the Church, and our work will be in connection with that established by them.

My time has been about equally divided between study of the language and giving instruction in English in the university. It is a great comfort to have something to do even before I can speak to this people in their native tongue. There are eleven boys in the class. I have found them as capable and diligent as the average of American boys. Two of them are members of the church and two are probationers. Surely, some corner of this empire will be benefited by these young men, having had the advantages of a Christian school.

On account of the disturbed condition of the country it is quite doubtful if we have our home this fall. We can only be reconciled to this by accepting it from the Lord.

It is hoped and believed that in the near future deaconess work will be a power in this dark land. Mr. Stevens says: "We need deaconesses at every station where we have work." How rapidly this demand is supplied will depend very much upon God's stewards at home. To whom has He intrusted much?

CLARA COLLIER.

## DEACONESS REPORT.

I arrived in Nanking March 4, and a week after my arrival I took up work in the hospital. During the two months from March to May 25 that I was engaged in work among the women the beds were occupied most of the time. We have two large woman's wards containing sixteen beds, and if need be can accommodate twenty-five patients, the average number being ten and the most at any one time being sixteen. Our woman's wards constantly furnish a class of women that are ready to hear the Gospel. Mrs. Hwang, a competent native Christian woman, does the evangelistic work, and Mrs. Nieh, the mother of our native preacher, goes from bed to bed and teaches the character. Both of these women have been very diligent and earnest in the work.

Ever since May 25 the work among the women has been closed, leaving me free to spend the next two months in study. Since August I have been engaged in nursing among the missionaries. We expect to reopen the work in October.

LAURA HANZLIK.

## CHINKIANG DISTRICT.

C. F. Kupfer, P.E.

Since this is my first report as presiding elder of this district, it must necessarily assume a twofold aspect: *retrospective* and *prospective*. Having only been in charge since our Annual Meeting in April, we will not be expected to have our arms laden with ingathered sheaves.

In looking back upon the ten years our Church has labored here, it is not my purpose to find fault with the noble men who preceded me. Valiantly indeed must they have labored, considering the difficulties of the field and the many interruptions during this period.

From 1881 to 1884 Brother M. L. Taft was in charge, during which time he also had the language to learn. Then Brother G. W. Woodall labored three years, studying the language, preaching the Gospel, and building two parsonages and a chapel. After this Brother W. C. Longden began a hopeful campaign which was interrupted by the riot in 1889, which caused our work to be removed to another part of the city, and then by Brother Longden's necessary return to America.

Let the true friend of missions ever remember that every change in China means a great loss to the work and a loss to the man who was changed. The real flourishing congregations in China are those where the same men have labored for twenty and thirty years at the same place. If the personal character of the missionary is such as compels respect, then his life will speak louder than his words as soon as he is acquainted with the people and the people with him. But not until then will his words be to them a "savor of life unto life."

What is the reason that after toiling ten years we have not even a student helper as a product of this work? Why can we not to-day find a vestige of all the day-schools held in different parts of the city? There is but one answer to these questions: Want of continuity. Had there been an institution here into which the worthy material of these day-

schools might have been gathered, and had these day-scholars been followed up with a view of bringing them into the institute, experience of the past emboldens me to believe that a large class of young men would soon be ready to enter as laborers this needy field. But as this has not seemed possible for Chinkiang, let the mission at least learn a lesson from our failures here, and not open another central station unless it can be fully manned and continued so; for these failures are not only detrimental to the work, but also disheartening to the workers and to the Church at home.

The work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society at this place is ample proof that the failure with us is not due to the peculiarity of the place; for a more interesting work cannot be found anywhere in China than Miss M. C. Robinson's Girls' Institute and Dr. Lucy Hoag's medical work. Honor to whom honor is due. The ladies of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society have more to show in seven years' work than we have in ten years.

However, if I take a prospective view of the situation, I see no cause for discouragement. No part of China, of equal extent, is so well situated and so easily accessible in all directions as the Chinkiang District. The great River, the Grand Canal, the many small streams, and a whole network of small canals make accessible by boat twelve large cities and an almost innumerable number of towns and marts, in none of which Methodism has yet been planted. That whole alluvial plain north-east from here to the sea-coast is an unworked territory.

In planning for this district I ask the Church nothing that is impossible. Let us have three consecrated men who mean to make *this* field their life-work—one to establish preaching stations and day-schools north of the river, another to do the same south of the river, and the third to have an institute in Chinkiang, into which any one from these stations, young or old, can be received to study the word of God, or complete a full course of study. If this plan, harmoniously carried out, will not, by the help of God, in less than ten years secure a large band of consecrated young men ready for the Master's work, my faith will be greatly put to shame. As Brother A. C. Wright is at work laying out a good circuit, and as Brother W. C. Longden has just returned from his visit to the home land in excellent spirit and faith for our final success in China (and it is devoutly hoped the Church will not make another mistake and send Brother Longden to a new field again), and as personal friends have promised us sufficient help to establish the institute, we feel congratulated that this plan can soon be carried into action, and that a more prosperous future is in store for Chinkiang.

*West Gate Chapel.* C. F. Kupfer, missionary in charge. This station contains all the work we have in Chinkiang, except a day-school lately opened. It is admirably situated for street preaching. Large, orderly congregations can be had at any time of the day and any day of the week. The afternoons, however, have been the most suitable. Sunday services have been conducted more especially for the edification of believers and the



instruction of our school children. The Sunday-school has been an important factor in our work. We have had an uninterrupted course of study in Matthew, which afforded every opportunity to present the truth, and many of the children have shown an eager and earnest desire to know the truth, which, I am sorry to say, cannot be said of many of the older, the so-called educated of China; they seem to have little perception of the meaning and value of this salutary lesson.

Since the last report was given from this station a goodly number have grown weary and left us. I have only been able to find nineteen who are in full membership and attend service. Two of these have lately gone to their reward; but the remaining sixteen, reported last year, I have not been able to find. No doubt, like some of old, they have gone "again to the weak and beggarly elements" of this world.

With this little society that remains harmony and brotherly love prevail. They freely support a native helper, and also give liberally to other needy causes.

#### CHINKIANG CIRCUIT.

A. C. Wright, missionary in charge.

During the first half of the year covered by this report I was engaged in directing our work at West Gate Street Chapel, and although the work at that point was quite new, there was promise of peace and prosperity. The Gospel was faithfully preached during the week as well as on the Sabbath, and a few who professed faith in Christ were added to the church.

In April last, having received my appointment to Chinkiang Circuit, (which, however, did not yet exist), I returned from Annual Meeting, and after some inquiry as to the location of towns, a few visits were made to various points on both sides of the river. About this time the series of riots which occurred along the Yang-tse interfered greatly with my plans.

I was then called to Nanking for nearly two months, while my work remained as it was. On my return to Chinkiang, about the middle of August, I resumed my work with new hopes; and although there has been much of the time when it seemed best to remain at home, I have succeeded in visiting more than a score of towns. The people have received me very kindly, notwithstanding the unsettled state of affairs.

Not wishing to build on another man's foundation, I have made it a rule as far as possible to go only to those towns where the Gospel was not preached by other workers. From the places visited I have arranged two circuits, each about thirty miles around, and both of which can be traversed by boat.

It has not as yet seemed advisable to attempt buying or renting property at any of these points; but I have always been permitted to preach in the tea-shops and on the streets, for which we should at these times feel especially thankful.

In the few trips already made I have sold a thousand or more copies of Scriptures, books, and tracts. I find the people ready to hear but slow to accept the Gospel. Let us pray God to give to them understanding minds and believing hearts.



## CHINKIANG MEDICAL WORK.

Lucy H. Hoag, M.D., reports :

For the sake of convenience the statistics will include a period of two years, with a vacation of three months, besides those of the Chinese New Year.

The first of these years brought a fair proportion of European practice which was relinquished in the second, and the Chinese practice for the two years has consisted almost without exception of women and children.

First visits to the dispensary.....	1,593
Patients returned.....	3,632
Visits to the homes for one year .....	63
Patients in the hospital.....	35
Cases of difficult labor.....	20
Total.....	5,343

About two years ago we bought property near the West Gate of the city, hoping to use it for a dispensary without further outlay, but the house proved to be in a ruinous condition and we had no funds for the necessary repairs.

Mr. Longden offered to circulate a subscription among the business men and foreign residents of Chinkiang, who responded with the generous sum of \$126. A friend in Nanking and others have since made donations, making the total \$160.21.

A well known Chinese friend, learning the condition of affairs, asked to be allowed to make a like subscription among his friends, and obtained \$232.

A literary man had no money to give, but for his donation made a handsome subscription book that could not offend the taste of the most fastidious. The book was returned with a list of forty-eight names, headed by that of the Chinkiang Taotai.

Of these generous gifts there still remain \$90.61, which, added to \$109, the gift of the late Mrs. Sleeper Davis, of Boston, gives us a sum which we hope to use in enlarging our work on the hill. We also wish to acknowledge the receipt of a fine "Jerome Kidder" electric battery, the real donor of which is unknown.

There is no doubt that the anti-foreign feeling and the unrest of the people for the last two years has caused a decrease in the number of patients, but trusting in the help of our God we have no forebodings for the coming year; for even now the clouds are lifting and the people's faces appear like sunshine after a rain.

## CHINKIANG GIRLS' SCHOOL.

"After clouds, sunshine," is a truthful summary of an interval whose first few months of sickness and hinderances were followed by an uninterrupted season of health and prosperity.

In addition there was the coming of an assistant with experience and qualifications sufficient to meet the intellectual needs of the school, and

who brought with him a zealous helpmate whose bright and cheerful faith has already become a blessing.

One result of the past year's work is shown in the marked ability displayed by some of the pupils in teaching younger ones. We hope soon to be independent of outside sources for teachers in the primary grades. The musical requirements are well met in the carefully trained hands of Katie Hoag, who has charge of the singing and organ instruction. We have been much encouraged during the months under review by having the time of four girls extended by their parents beyond the terms prescribed in their contracts.

Four have been baptized, twelve are professing Christians.

Numerically the school stands thus: 26 in the class-room and 7 in the nursery; actual and prospective pupils, 33. MARY C. ROBINSON.

#### EVANGELISTIC WORK AMONG WOMEN.

During the past year half of my time has been spent in the study of the language; the other half has been occupied in conversing with women at the dispensaries, in giving systematic religious instruction to a class of women, in visiting women at their homes, and in instructing the hospital patients.

At the dispensaries we have received over 2,500 women. The number in attendance has been greatly reduced during the spring and summer months, owing to the anti-foreign riots in this part of the country. But though the dispensary work has been thus interrupted of late, I have had a better class of women under daily instruction than at any one time before since the opening of this work. I give this class an hour's Bible instruction five days each week, and besides they are taught to read the character a half hour each day, and they have made very satisfactory progress. I believe that the heaven is working in their hearts, and I trust some have entered the outer court. Their number averages only from five to eight, but I hope much from them, and expect in the future to draw some helpers from their number.

Up to last February I have never had a native Christian woman to assist me. At that time Mrs. Tung, the wife of the new teacher of our girls' boarding-school, came with her husband to reside on the premises. She is an earnest Christian woman, and is thoroughly grounded in the truth, having been educated in the Presbyterian Girls' School at Tungchau. Her family cares prevent her doing work outside of the premises, but she renders very efficient service there by her exemplary life, and in instructing the hospital patients, helping to teach the women, etc. On my leaving Chinkiang in August she took charge of the woman's class. I have not been in the hospital, but work among these has been very interesting, and has yielded good results. The women remain there long enough to learn to pray and to begin to grasp the truth of the Gospel.

It was with regret that I left Chinkiang in August to help the ladies in Nankin for a season; and I hope soon to return to this work.

SARAH PETERS.

## WUHU DISTRICT.

Rev. George A. Stuart, P.E., reports :

From the time of writing our last report to the 12th of May the work of the district went on uninterruptedly. It was granted to us to see much to encourage, and quite a number of probationers were added to our rolls. This was especially the case at Tai-ping fu, where Brother Walley, aided by the native helper, had done much faithful service. The mission property at that place has been greatly improved and is now well adapted to our wants. After May 12 the riots very nearly put a stop to our work for over a month. We thought it best to close the hospital for a short time, but services were continued at all places of worship during the whole time of trouble. This was, of course, done quietly, and no one but our members and servants were present. About July 1 work was again opened on all lines. Of course, we were not able to be very aggressive or to get out into the country often, it being necessary to stay by the mission property, there being constant rumors of further trouble. But there was a good number of patients in the hospital all the time, and we all had as much work as the hot weather and the excited state of the country would permit us to do. Every thing is now quiet again, and we are expecting no further trouble, unless from foreign war or a possible Chinese revolution.

Now that the weather is again cool and it is possible for us to travel in the interior, we turn our eyes once more to that portion of the country from which we have had so many urgent calls. We have already reported visits to this part, and have told of our kind reception, the superior character of the people, and many other reasons for opening this country at once. We now await our appropriations and *help*. A man should be sent us at once, as one or two years must be consumed in the study of the language and preparation for work, and by that time his help will be imperatively demanded. Not but that he is now needed badly; but I speak of this to show the absolute necessity of moving at once in the matter of getting some one for this work. If one already conversant with the language could be had, the kingdom of God would be advanced in that portion of the country by nearly two years. We shall at once commence to make regular visitations of that region; and we expect, by the help of God, to procure places for chapels and schools in at least two places, and have them open for active work as soon after New Year's as possible. We would that this report could fall under the eye of every member of the Church, and that each one would constitute himself a committee of one to see that our need is supplied. But failing in the probability of this, we depend on those in authority, including all pastors, to do every thing in their power to further the Master's work in this needy field.

WORK OF THE WUHU CIRCUIT.—Rev. John Walley reports :

The past year has in many respects been very encouraging, for God has graciously blessed us and given us to see some fruit of our labor.

We have baptized six adults and one infant, besides having a large increase of probationers.

The District of Wuhu and Tai-ping fu constituted one circuit until our Annual Meeting in April last, when they were made separate circuits, Dr. Stuart being appointed to Tai-ping, and I given the charge of Wuhu.

The winter has been an exceedingly blessed season of work, and we are deeply grateful for the manifestation of God's presence as shown in the result of numbers being added to the Church of those who, we trust, shall be "eternally saved."

Since Annual Meeting our work has been much hindered by the disturbed state of the country.

Unfortunately, Wuhu has the undesirable notoriety of being the point at which these disturbed feelings were first manifested, and which has suffered more than any other place, though, fortunately, our own mission premises were not actually interfered with though often threatened; so that scarcely a week has passed during the past five months in which we have not had to make hasty preparation for a possible speedy flight. Thus we have been kept in an anxious state all the time, almost, if not altogether, equal to an actual uprising.

We cannot speak too highly of the conduct of many of our converts and native helpers, who have remained firmly at their post of duty and rendered every possible help during these disturbed times, when the results of an uprising would probably have been as disastrous to them as to ourselves.

During the most excited and dangerous time the native members of every Protestant mission met at my house for prayer and direction daily. The members of our own mission kept me constantly supplied with information and with copies of the placards issued against foreigners, so that I was thus enabled to keep the British consul informed on points of which he would not otherwise have known, and he was thus able to take measures to protect us from intended attacks. We have, therefore, to acknowledge much help and protection both from the British consul and the British gunboats on guard here. The captain of the latter has supplied us with a rocket apparatus and code of signals to use in case of need, so that we can warn or be warned of any approaching danger. We are, however, much quieter now, though there are still distant rumblings of a gathering storm which, we trust, may not burst; or, if it should be allowed to do so, may it be directed by an all-wise hand in such a way as to clear the political atmosphere and benefit this much-oppressed and down-trodden people, and prepare their minds for the reception of the Gospel.

#### KIUKIANG DISTRICT.

Rev. James Jackson reports as follows:

There is but little for the presiding elder of this district to report, as only a short time has expired since the Annual Meeting, at which he was appointed. Short as the time has been, however, it has been full of stirring events; but, alas! of such a nature as to greatly interfere with our work. Shortly after the adjournment of the Annual Meeting, which was held in Kiukiang in April last, came like a bolt out of the blue sky the



riots which have all but paralyzed our work in the country stations. The murder of two foreigners at Wusueh, only a very short distance from some points in Brother Banbury's circuit, naturally caused great excitement all through the neighborhood, and made it unadvisable to pay prolonged visits to some places on the circuit. Consequently comparatively little has been done in the country during the past few months.

Our District Conference, appointed to meet in the country this autumn, had to be abandoned, as it was considered by all to be imprudent to make any demonstration at this critical juncture. In Kiukiang city the work has not been greatly interfered with. The schools have gone on as usual; regular preaching has been done in the chapels, both in the city and in the suburbs; the printing-press has continued to send forth leaves of enlightenment for the people; and though much excitement still prevails around us, yet in our city quiet reigns. We trust that a good providence will soon bring to an end the distressing state of uncertainty that has so long prevailed, and give us the peace and quiet so favorable to the prosecution of our work.

Internally we have many hopeful signs. Young men are already going forth with the good seed of the kingdom, and God seems to be raising up what we most of all need, a band of native agents to plant the Church of Christ in this district. Fourteen students in the institute hold exhorter's licenses, and do regular work as preachers in the country and in the street-chapels on the Sabbath and during some other days of the week. Some of this band give exceptional promise of becoming effective preachers. And thus, notwithstanding the clouds which hang over us at present, we are very hopeful of the future. Whatever may be the political outcome of the present agitation, we know that God sits upon the throne, and that the "noise of the waves and the tumult of the peoples" will be overruled for the further spread of his truth, and that all will tend to the more complete opening of China to the Gospel.

#### KIUKIANG CITY AND INSTITUTE.—J. Jackson, Pastor.

The work of the institute during the last year has been marked by many signs of growing interest and widening influence. The increased interest has been manifested by applications for admission from a better class of students, and by the great diligence of the pupils in the prosecution of their studies, while the widening influence of the school is seen in the large number of visitors who have heard of our work and who desire to see for themselves what is being done. In this conservative country it takes a long time for an institution to take root, and not until this underground growth has had time to mature can it be possible to have a healthy output of ripened fruit.

That our institute has obtained a place in the confidence of our Church in the district is manifest from the eager desire there is on the part of parents to obtain a place for their sons in the school. Making all necessary deductions on account of the fact that the education we give is free,



yet the fact that young men are coming to us as students, and in some instances at an age when, for them, it is inconvenient to leave their homes and postpone their settlement in life, is sufficient proof that the advantages of the education we can give are coming to be appreciated and desired. This result has been partly brought about by the devotion to the interests of the school of my brethren on the district, and by their untiring efforts to make it known among their people on their circuits. Without their co-operation it would have been impossible to have acquired the influence which the institute is now exercising over a wide extent of country. It is quite unnecessary for me to say much about the studies of the school, as a report on this subject will be presented by the committee appointed to conduct the examination. Suffice it to say, that we have tried to make the teaching as practically beneficial as possible, and to meet the peculiar needs of the students who have committed themselves to our guidance. Great prominence has been given to physical science, which, we think, in connection with Christianity is destined to be the great revolutionary force in this country. During the year a new science hall has been built and some new apparatus added. In this place courses of lectures have been given in the evening, to which the public have been invited, and in this way we have tried to enlarge the influence of the school and to make outside people acquainted with our objects and methods of work. It is our good fortune to have a well qualified staff of native teachers, who have been most faithful in the discharge of their duties and who have shown great enthusiasm in their work and an evident desire to acquit themselves well. Much of the efficiency of the school is due to the excellent work which has been done by them.

While as a rule the natives cannot stand alone, and are not gifted with the power to plan or initiate, they nevertheless are most valuable workers under proper guidance, and are most patient in attention to many details which somewhat tax the patience of a foreigner in this country. Economy and efficiency are the two things we all desiderate, and we have found these combined in our staff of native teachers in the Kiukiang Institute.

While it is our desire to give the best education we can from a secular stand-point, we do not forget that our institute is a mission, and that the great thing to be arrived at is the conversion of the students to Christ. There are many influences at work in a large school which, if due care and watchfulness are neglected, tend to defeat the object the Church has in view in the expenditure of such large sums of money on educational work. We are alive to the dangers consequent upon bringing a large number of people together in our institution—dangers which are real even in Christian lands; how much more so in this empire of heathenism? We have felt it necessary to keep the heathen element in the school as low as possible, and to have the larger proportion of the students, at least, from Christian families. We have been reminded recently, by an experienced teacher, of the necessity of educating under strong religious influences, and this reminder is always seasonable. We have endeavored to make our school a

distinctively Christian and also a distinctively Methodist institution. The greater portion of the pupils are organized into society classes, and meet weekly in class with their respective leaders. We also endeavor to make our Sabbath preaching as helpful to the students as possible, and while this prevents us somewhat from dealing with outsiders in our service, we feel that our first duty is to those young people who are to mold the Church of the future in China, and that we are doing evangelistic work in the true meaning and spirit of the word by training these young people in a deeper knowledge of Christian truth. And we are thankful to say that we see fruit in this direction. One after another of the young men in the school give themselves to the Church and, we trust, to Christ; and we have often been encouraged in watching the growth of religious conviction in the minds of our students. We have seen it in their classes as they have got hold of clearer perceptions of duty, clearer notions of the distinctions between right and wrong, more enlightenment of conscience, fuller views of truth. We do not forget how very imperfect are even the best; neither must we forget, when we think of their many imperfections, their many difficulties and drawbacks, and how poor have been their opportunities, compared with those of the young people of Christian lands. But we hold before them a high ideal and urge them to forget the things that are behind, the burdens of past centuries that tend to drag them to the dust, and to reach forward to those that are before, the glorious heritage of Christian truth and freedom which, thank God, is their heritage as well as ours.

HWANG-MEI CIRCUIT.—James J. Banbury, preacher in charge.

The recent riots in this part of China, together with the circulation of inflammatory and vile placards denouncing the Christian doctrine, have resulted in somewhat hindering the progress of our work on the Hwang-mei Circuit. Several probationers have declined to openly declare themselves for Christ, preferring to wait until the outlook is more promising; and some of our day-school scholars, who are the children of heathen parents who are friendly to our cause, have removed to native schools. While deploring the lack of moral stamina in these cases, we are, on the other hand, encouraged by the faithfulness and stability of the majority of our members through evil report and good report, and by the fortitude of a few, who, notwithstanding the unfavorable aspect of the times, have openly sealed their faith in Christ by baptism. Among the latter is Mr. Chang, an aged man who keeps a drug-store, who has been the subject of much exhortation on our part for some time past. He for several years has had a knowledge of the true doctrine, but, fearing to relinquish heathenism entirely, for the sake of appearance retained an idol tablet at the rear of his shop, which, however, he never worshiped. But a few weeks ago he yielded to our persuasions, and openly declared himself as a follower of the Lord Jesus, attesting his sincerity by tearing down the tablet and removing all traces of idolatry from his shop and home.

ST. PAUL'S AND KIUKIANG CIRCUIT.—Edward S. Little, preacher in charge.

The past year has been one of incessant toil on my part. I have done with all my might the best I could for the glory of God and the pushing of our Church in our midst. Our St. Paul's work has gone forward regularly. I have conducted four services a week, and have been much blessed in my preaching. I have had uniformly large and attentive congregations and have distributed many thousands of tracts. I have earnestly prayed and worked for an increase of membership, but am pained to have none to report. Surely the Lord will grant me a harvest at a no distant date.

In the early part of the year I held, with the assistance of native members, regular evening services throughout the week at the Heukai Chapel. Tens of thousands of people have heard the Gospel here, and many thousands of books and tracts have been distributed. During the last few months the riots have broken up our work here, and I have suspended the services. Now, however, I have again, this current week, reopened the chapel, and have had crowded audiences. I am looking forward to a happy winter's work here.

I have had irregular work at several country stations, and although we have had several inquirers none have joined the church; but this work is still new. There are three day-schools situated in various parts of the circuit which have been more or less regularly attended by the pupils who have entered their names on the rolls. I must confess I am not altogether satisfied with the results of this branch of our work. This is a wonderfully cheap way of influencing twenty or thirty boys throughout an entire year. We require Christian teachers who have been trained by ourselves in our own high-schools, and who have some force of character. In but a short time now we expect just this kind of man from our Kiukiang Institute here.

The management of the press has brought much work and responsibility upon me. I have done my best, God helping me. The result of our year's work has been the printing of about two and a half million pages. The financial liabilities have been greatly reduced and the assets considerably increased. No help has yet come from home, but if our requests recently forwarded to the Missionary Society are granted we shall be well out of all debt and able to go ahead to new works. Altogether the year's work has been a success, and we have every hope for the future.

#### W. F. M. S. MISSION, KIUKIANG.

Miss Frances Wheeler reports :

Although we have been somewhat hindered in our work this year, thanks to Him who overrules all things for good it has never come to a standstill, as has been the case in some of the stations on the Yangtse. On account of the threatened riots in Kiukiang last June we were obliged to dismiss school three weeks earlier than has been our custom. The girls took refuge with some of the neighbors until their friends came for them. Those for whom we were especially responsible remained

with us in the foreign concession. We were away from home about ten days, at the expiration of which time it was considered safe to venture back into the city. We did so, and found every thing undisturbed.

On the first of September, much to our surprise and delight, nearly all of the pupils returned, and regular work was resumed. Of the seven who unbound their feet last year, four have stood nobly by their principles, in spite of ridicule, threat, and every little petty annoyance that human ingenuity could devise. One of the number married during the summer. Her term had expired, and we scarcely dared hope to see her again when we bade her farewell on the morning of the Dragon Festival Day.

Several of the ex-students who live in the country sent their husbands to make inquiries, and to offer their homes as a refuge in case we needed one. Such tokens of interest and kindness come like rays of sunshine to cheer us in the midst of despondency and gloom.

The new school building is nearing completion, and will probably be ready for occupancy some time in November. Three or four of the dormitories are to be finished up next year for lack of funds.

Now that there is more room at our disposal we hope to work up a permanent woman's class, the nucleus of a woman's training-school. Heretofore it has been impossible to do a great deal in this line. Since the disturbance we have not been favored with many callers. Up to that date scarcely a day passed without bringing from five to thirty or forty visitors. This is not to be wondered at, however, considering the widespread belief in those blood-curdling stories of "eyes and hearts" sacrificed to the cupidity of the foreigner, and of other malpractices, the enormity of which defies description.

Our new colleague, Miss Ogborn, is daily expected. May the Lord grant her a long and successful career in her chosen field of labor, and may his blessing rest upon the work of Central China!

Miss Gertrude Howe reports :

Our work progressed satisfactorily during the first six months of the year, since which time it has been considerably broken up.

Where hundreds of women came to our home and listened to some part of our gospel message we cannot at present report tens. Yet we are thankful that we have been permitted to remain in the service of such faithful ones as have held to us during the ordeal, and look forward to a brighter day when our Father shall reveal to us what great things his hand hath wrought while the cloud rested.

# STATISTICS OF

CIRCUIT OR STATION.	Foreign Missionaries.	Assistant Missionaries.	Foreign Missionaries, Wom. For. Miss. Society.	Native Workers of W. F. M. Society.	Native Ordained Preachers.	Native Unordained Preachers.	Native Teachers.	Foreign Teachers.	Other Helpers.	Members.	Probationers.	Adherents.	Average Attendance on Sunday Worship.	Conversions during Year.	Adults Baptized.	Children Baptized.	No. of Theol. Schools.	No. of Teachers in same.	No. of Students.	No. of High-schools.	No. of Teachers in same.	No. of Pupils.
<i>Chinkiang District.</i>																						
West Gate Street Chapel....	1	1	3	1	..	..	2	..	2	17	4	80	70	4	4	..	..	..	1	2	83	
Chinkiang Circuit.....	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Yang Chaw*.....	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
<i>Kiukiang District.</i>																						
Hwang Mei and Kung Lung.	1	1	..	1	2	8	8	2	90	28	800	19	5	7	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Kiukiang City.....	1	1	2	5	..	6	8	9	60	1	200	200	5	7	..	..	..	..	2	12	150	
St. Paul's and Kiukiang Cir.	1	1	..	..	..	6	8	4	28	19	100	150	5	8	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Nan-chang Circuit.....	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	15	4	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Shui-chang Circuit.....	1	1	..	..	..	4	8	3	89	83	650	175	18	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	
<i>Nanking District.</i>																						
Hospital Chapel.....	2	1	..	..	..	1	..	4	18	24	18	75	20	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
North Nanking and University Chapel .....	2	2	2	2	..	5	1	5	25	19	100	120	..	4	2	1	1	5	2	11	75	
South Nanking and Nanking Circuit.....	1	1	..	..	..	1	8	1	5	5	100	100	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
<i>Wuhu District.</i>																						
Tai-Ping-Fu and Wuhu Cir..	1	1	..	..	..	1	1	2	6	9	..	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Wuhu Circuit.....	1	1	..	1	1	1	1	3	21	17	..	200	..	7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Total this year.....	14	13	7	8	2	16	39	136	369	213	1648	1115	66	46	17	1	1	5	5	25	258	
Total last year.....	14	13	7	9	2	16	37	236	369	167	1505	1195	55	38	22	1	1	2	6	28	222	
Increase.....	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	46	143	8	11	18	5	..	..	3	..	8	36	
Decrease.....	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	8	..	..	

\* We have land in Yang Chaw valued at \$1,000, but no buildings.



# CENTRAL CHINA.

No. of other Day-schools.		No. of other Day Scholars.		No. of Sabbath-schools.		No. of Sabbath Scholars.		No. of Orphanas.		No. of Churches and Chapels.		Estimated Value of Churches and Chapels.		No. of Halls and other rented Places of Worship.		Parsonages, or "Homes."		Estimated Value of Parsonages, or "Homes."		Value of Orphanages, Schools, Hospitals, Book Rooms, etc.		Collected for Missionary Society.		Collected for other Benevolent Societies.		Collected for Self-support.		Collected for Church Building and Repairing.		Contributed for other Local Purposes.		Volumes printed during the year.		Pages printed during the year.		
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3	60	2	150	13	2	5,000		3	..	9,000		7,000	30 00	..	..	54 00	21 00	2 00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2	40	1	40	..	3	6,500		2	..	14,000		7,000	30 00	..	..	54 00	21 00	2 00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Property values are given in gold collections in Mexican dollars.

## III.

## NORTH CHINA.

Commenced in 1869.

BISHOP FITZGERALD HAS EPISCOPAL SUPERVISION.

REV. HIRAM H. LOWRY, *Superintendent.*

## MISSIONARIES.

Hiram H. Lowry, <i>Peking,</i>	George R. Davis ( <i>in U. S.</i> ),
Leander W. Pilcher, <i>Peking,</i>	Wilbur F. Walker, <i>Tientsin,</i>
James H. Pyke, <i>Tientsin,</i>	Frank D. Gamewell, <i>Peking,</i>
Marcus L. Taft, <i>Peking,</i>	William T. Hobart, <i>Peking,</i>
Frederick Brown, <i>Tientsin,</i>	Nehemiah S. Hopkins, M.D., <i>Tientsin,</i>
William H. Curtiss, M.D., <i>Peking,</i>	Thomas R. Jones, M.D., <i>Peking,</i>
Isaac T. Headland, <i>Peking,</i>	Miss Hattie E. Davis, <i>Peking.</i>

## ASSISTANT MISSIONARIES.

Mrs. Parthie E. Lowry ( <i>in U. S.</i> ),	Mrs. Louise K. Taft,
" Maria B. Davis ( <i>in U. S.</i> ),	" Mary P. Gamewell,
" Mary H. Pilcher,	" Emily M. Hobart,
" Flora M. Walker,	" Agnes Brown,
" Belle G. Pyke,	" Fannie H. Hopkins,
" Florence G. Curtiss ( <i>in U. S.</i> ),	" Stella B. Jones, M.D.

## MISSIONARIES OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Miss Annie B. Sears,	Mrs. Charlotte M. Jewell ( <i>in U. S.</i> ),
" Edna G. Terry, M.D.,	Miss Anna D. Gloss, M.D. ( <i>in U. S.</i> ),
" Mary Ketrang,	" Lillian G. Hale,
" Frances O. Wilson,	" Anna E. Steere,
" Rachel R. Benn, M.D.,	" M. Ida Stevenson, M.D.,
" Cecilia M. Frey,	" Isabella Crosthwaite.

## APPOINTMENTS for 1891.

PEKING DISTRICT, W. T. Hobart, P.E., P.-O., Peking.

*Ch'ang-p'ing-chou*, to be supplied (\*T'ien Wen-hsiu). *Han-ts'un*, Sung I. *Huang-ts'un*, F. D. Gamewell, Chin-ch'eng. *Peking*: Asbury, L. W. Pilcher; *Feng-chen*, to be supplied; *Huarh-shih*, to be supplied; *Southern City*, M. L. Taft, Li Shao-wen. *Ku-pei-k'ou*, to be supplied. *Tung-an Hsien*, Chou Hsueh-shen. *Yang-ko-chuang*, to be supplied (\*Wei Kuo-shun). *Yen-ch'ing-chou*, to be supplied; *Yung-ch'ing Hsien*, to be supplied (\*T'ien Wen-ch'i).

\* Exhorter acting as helper.

*Peking Methodist Hospital*, W. H. Curtiss, M.D., *Superintendent*; Thomas R. Jones, M.D., *Physician in Charge*.

*Peking University*, L. W. Pilcher, *Dean of College of Liberal Arts*; F. D. Gamewell, *Dean of College of Science*; Isaac T. Headland, *Professor of Mental and Moral Science*; Hattie E. Davis, *Instructor in English Language and Literature and Principal of Primary School*.

H. H. Lowry, *Dean of Wiley College of Theology*; M. L. Taft, *Professor of Exegesis and Systematic Theology*.

W. H. Curtiss, M.D., and Thomas R. Jones, M.D., *Professors in College of Medicine*.

W. F. M. S.: Annie B. Sears, *General Evangelistic Work and Principal of Peking Girls' Boarding-School*; Mary Ketring, Cecilia M. Frey, and Effie Young, *Teachers in Girls' Boarding-School*; to be supplied, *Woman's Training-School*.

TIENTSIN DISTRICT, W. F. Walker, P.E., P.-O., Tientsin.

*Nan-kung*, Shang Ch'ing-yun. *Tai-cheng*, Yang Ch'un-ho, (\* Wang Pao-t'ang, \* Chang Hsi-t'ung). *Tientsin: Circuit*, to be supplied, (\* Chang Yu-ch'eng); *East Gate*, Ch'en Ta-yung (\* Li Lien-hsiao); *Wesley Chapel*, to be supplied; *West City*, to be supplied. *Ts'ang-chou*, Liu Te-hsin.

W. F. M. S.: Anna E. Steere, *General Evangelistic Work and Woman's Training Class*; Frances O. Wilson, *Evangelistic Work and Girls' Day-Schools*; Rachel R. Benn, M.D., and M. Ida Stevenson, M.D., *Physicians in Charge of Isabella Fisher Hospital and General Work*. Charlotte M. Jewell and Anna D. Gloss, M.D., absent in U. S.

SHAN-TUNG DISTRICT, F. Brown, P.E., P.-O., Tientsin.

*An-chia-chuang*, Wang Ch'ing-yu, one to be supplied. *Chi-ning-chou*, to be supplied. *Ning-yang Hsien*, Wang Ch'eng-p'ei. *Tai-an Fu*, Liu Chi-lun.

Tsun-HUA DISTRICT, Te Jui, P.E., P.-O., Tientsin.

*Ping-an-ch'eng* and *Liang-tzu-ho*, Chang Pai-lin. *Tsun-hua: Circuit*, Te Jui, one to be supplied; *City*, to be supplied. *Ya-t'ien and Feng-jen*, Wang Ch'ing-yun.

N. S. Hopkins, M.D., *Superintendent Tsun-hua Methodist Hospital*; G. R. Davis, absent in U. S.

W. F. M. S.: Lillian G. Hale, *Tsun-hua Girls' Boarding-School*; Edna G. Terry, M.D., *General Evangelistic Work and Physician in Charge of Woman's Hospital*.

LAN-CHOU DISTRICT, J. H. Pyke, P.E., P.-O., Tientsin.

*Ch'ang-li Hsien*, to be supplied (\* Wu Ch'i). *Ch'ien-an Hsien*, Kung Te-lin. *Fu-ning Hsien*, Wang Chung-lin. *LAN-chou: Circuit*, to be supplied (\* Hou Wan-yu); *City*, Sun Chiu-kao. *Lao-t'ing Hsien*, to be supplied (\* Hou Tien). *Shan hai-kuan*, Ku Ch'i.

Rev. H. H. Lowry, Superintendent, reports as follows :

The work of the past year has been carried forward under peculiar difficulties, but the results are full of encouragement, and the prospects of the future were never brighter.

The changes in our foreign force have been greater than during any one year of our history. The health of Brother Willits was not sufficiently improved by his trip to the States to justify his return, and his family followed him in the early autumn. Our best wishes go with them to the native land, and our prayers shall be for constant success upon their efforts there, as we are assured their interest in China will not cease by their change of field of labor. We learn with pleasure that the health of Miss Greer has improved, but regret that her return to the mission is still a matter of uncertainty. Dr. Osborne has retired from mission work, and will go home within a few months. Dr. Curtiss and family have just left for America on account of the ill health of Mrs. Curtiss, but he hopes to resume his work in the autumn. Dr. Crews is still at home, and it is not certain when he will be able to return. Brother Davis and family have been granted leave of absence, and will start in a few days for the United States.

While our working force has been depleted by these necessary changes we have been strengthened by the arrival of some recruits. Brother Taft and family have come back, and with them came Dr. and Mrs. Jones, and Mr. and Mrs. Headland. We were, however, soon called to mourn the loss of Mrs. Headland, whose death from typhoid fever occurred within a month of her arrival. She was peculiarly fitted for her position by education, force of character, and the endowments of grace, and we hoped many years of usefulness were before her, but the Master called her to higher service.

Scarcely less have been the changes in the representatives of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Miss Cushman has returned to the States, where she is continuing her labors for the society. Mrs. Jewell and Dr. Gloss, on account of ill health and overwork, were obliged to take a vacation, and are now at home. Drs. Benn and Stevenson have arrived as re-enforcements, and without opportunity for study of the language have been compelled to assume the onerous duties of dispensaries and hospital.

I have mentioned these changes in detail to call attention to one of the difficulties under which our work during the year has been conducted. These necessary changes involve the society in considerable extra expense, but the financial consideration cannot be compared with the serious interruption of the work which is thus made unavoidable. The large extent of our field, containing over one hundred and seventy millions of people, presenting, in the progressive changes now occurring and others contemplated, unparalleled opportunities for large plans of work, the various forms of work already successfully undertaken, besides the ordinary difficulties of the language, the prejudices of the people, and the opposition

of long intrenched forms of religious beliefs, call loudly for a large increase in our working force; but instead of the inspiration of a hearty response to the call, we are compelled to go forward with our ranks broken by sickness and overwork, and to thrust our recruits into the work before they have had opportunity for preparation, or to adjust themselves to their new surroundings in a foreign land and among all the repulsive sights and sounds of a strange people. If in any place in the world there is special value in continuity of labor, it is in missionary work. No matter what the ability and qualifications of a missionary, if for any cause he is compelled, after a brief period of service, to leave the field, his work cannot be regarded as a success. And yet these are the conditions under which our work must be carried on.

The elements also seem to have conspired against us during the year. The unprecedented rains of last summer, besides the damage to property and the effect upon the health of some of our members, made the roads impassable for some months, thus hindering our work. Especially were the districts to the south so much overflowed that they could not be reached by cart until the ground froze at the approach of winter. Famine followed the floods. Although we were able to do something toward relieving the distress of the people by the contributions that came to us from various sources, we were compelled to cease receiving people into the Church, lest we fill our rolls with inquirers whose leading or only motive should be to secure relief from starvation. With prudence and careful work, however, we hope this exhibition of Christian benevolence may turn out to the furtherance of the Gospel.

Our work has also, perhaps more than in any former year, been checked by lack of funds with which to take advantage of the positions gained by long waiting and patient toil. For two or three years there has been no actual reduction in the amount appropriated, except as affected by the depreciation of silver, but meanwhile our lines have been extending, more chapels and school-houses have been demanded, and this has necessitated a larger native force to care for the extending work. But instead of being able to increase our number of colporteurs, teachers, and other native agents, we have been compelled to dismiss several already employed, and in other ways contract our work, in order to keep within our appropriations.

No change has taken place in the number of native preachers; none have been laid aside by sickness, and their ranks have not been broken by death. When I reflect on the work and opportunities of these men, and their vital relation to the progress of Christ's kingdom in China, my prayer is that the Lord will send forth more such laborers into his vineyard. Present success and the future permanency of our work, under the divine blessing, depend upon the character of the native ministry, and for some years we have looked with concern upon the fact of no increase in the number of helpers. A suggestion made by one of their number may be worthy of our consideration. He said that of late years we seemed too strict in the requirements of admission, and that if we had



been equally strict in the beginning, many who are now among our most successful workers could not have entered. It is certainly our duty to exercise great caution in this matter, that unworthy men may be excluded, but it is possible to keep out others who might develop into valuable helpers through our system of discipline and examinations. After another year we expect several recruits from the first graduating class of the university. Judging from the work of some of our young men who have spent only a few years in this school, we feel a good degree of confidence that these graduates will become men of power in the work of the ministry. Their usefulness has already been tested by their work during the long vacations and in the various revival services where they have been engaged.

It is gratifying to note that, notwithstanding the unfavorable conditions already referred to, the reports will show substantial progress in all departments of the work. The increase in the number of members and probationers is beyond our expectations, and is a rebuke to our lack of faith. There is good evidence that there has been a growth of spirituality and more interest taken in efforts to build up and develop an independent native church. Several successful revival meetings have been held, resulting in a large number of genuine conversions. It is an encouraging sign that in two instances these meetings were conducted entirely by native evangelists, without help or suggestion from the foreign missionary. In one of these meetings there were fifty conversions, in the other over twenty. Special meetings were held in Peking, Tientsin, and in several places on the Lanchow District, conducted by Brothers Hobart and Pyke, with most encouraging results. It does not diminish the importance or detract from the value of the results of these services that most of those reached are already members of the Church. When we are able to bring all our members into conscious relationship to a personal Saviour we shall expect to see the Church of Christ exalted among the heathen.

Another evidence that the members are growing in grace is the increased amount contributed by them for the missionary cause and other church collections. Notwithstanding the floods and the loss of crops, the collections from the native members are in advance of any previous year.

The educational and medical work and the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society are as vitally connected with the success of the mission as any already mentioned, but these will be fully represented by special reports, and need not be dwelt upon in this connection.

We close another year with gratitude for the success that has attended our labors, and with renewed courage enter upon the work still to be done. Our positions have been strengthened, our plans enlarged, and our prospects were never so full of promise. In reviewing the past and in prayerful consideration of the future we may well inquire, Are we able to possess the land? Statesmen and business men are watching with intense interest the movements of this ancient and conservative people in their slow march toward Western civilization. Are these changes of no importance to the Christian? Shall God's messengers regard with indifference the

possibility of making these changes turn to the advantage of the cause of Christ? The youth of to-day will be the men occupying the positions of responsibility in the new nation that political seers discern in the near future. We should see to it that these young men shall naturally seek their education and preparation for the new order of things in our Christian schools. We should plan that through active and intense evangelism the decaying idolatry and superstition shall not leave the nation atheistic or infidel, but Christian; and that the principles of the Gospel of Christ shall rule the society of the modern China. This is the work before us, and, in His name, we are able to accomplish it.

The General Conference of Missionaries in Shanghai a year ago made an appeal for one thousand ordained men to be sent to China within five years. Shall not our own Church respond to this call by sending her proportion of men? We trust the call will be answered with speedy re-enforcements, and that songs of victory may soon be heard in all parts of this great empire.

#### GENERAL EVANGELISTIC WORK.

##### PEKING DISTRICT, W. T. Hobart, P.E.

Several charges on this district will be reported by others, so I need speak only of those under my immediate charge.

The work at the south of Peking is divided into three circuits. The whole region suffered from the floods last summer, and the fall crop was a total failure, not even fuel being saved. As a result the whole section has been on the verge of famine. We have distributed among them about \$600 received from the United States, and \$2,000 received through Rev. G. W. Clarke, of the China Inland Mission, of Tientsin. Over \$600 collected in Peking was divided among the four missions represented here and distributed by them. This has been sufficient to relieve our own members and help a few of the poorest in the immediate vicinity of our work. But it is impossible, without seeing it, to realize the distress. Most of the people are eating roots, grass, and the leaves of trees. Whole families are down with famine fever, and the mortality must be very great.

At *Pei-yin* we have rented more room, but the place is still too strait for us. Our little chapel hardly affords standing-room for all who come. There are many inquirers, but I have not ventured to take any on probation at present; for many probably come hoping for "loaves and fishes."

At *Han-ts'un* the attendance has doubled, numbering now about two hundred, but of these how many will stand the future will reveal. We trust some wheat will be found. But while the numbers are large the general state of piety is low, and some cases may require discipline.

About ten miles from Han-ts'un, to the west of the Hun River, quite an interest has developed, and a place has been rented at *Nan-kuan*, a little over a mile south of Yung-ch'ing Hsien. Twenty or more probationers have been received, and more than as many more are attending service and desirous to join. We have also an opening at *Kung-chia-ying*, twenty miles south-west from there. With a colporteur to work in that region we could easily develop a good work.

*Huang-ts'un* has been without a helper this year, but the members have held together and a few more have joined. Our place there is too small and we ought to have a better. We can buy, but cannot rent a suitable place.

We have just succeeded in renting a little place at *Yen-ch'ing-chou*, outside the great wall. A strong party has tried to keep us from renting and to drive us out of the city. We rented one place before, but they forced the landlord to bring us back our money and refuse us the place. Still we have kept a colporteur there all the year, and have several probationers and inquirers. If we can hold the present place our work can go quietly forward.

At *Yang-ko-chuang* there has been trouble among the workers and members, so our work has not prospered as I hoped. Still there have been a few additions.

At *Shih-hsia-erh* the old members hold on and a few new ones are reported. We have no place as yet, but will probably need to rent one this coming year. One inquirer at K'u-pei-k'ou wishes to enter the Church.

ASBURY CHAPEL, L. W. Pilcher in charge.

At the last Annual Meeting Rev. O. W. Willits was reappointed to this charge; but continued ill-health prevented his return from the United States, whither he had gone in search of needed help, and I was asked to assume the responsibilities of the work until this Annual Meeting. Brother Lowry has kindly shared in the labors of the charge, and Brother Hobart during the month of February conducted a series of special meetings. During the time when the training-classes of men and women were in session the chapel-building proved far too small for the congregations that attended the morning preaching services, and by no possible means could it be made to accommodate the crowds that assembled for the afternoon Sabbath-school. This overcrowded condition of our chapel and the consequent confusion has to some extent interfered with the orderly conduct of the services, but for the most part good order has been maintained, and all who came were able to receive spiritual instruction.

There has been a steady growth in membership, both on probation and in full connection. The native assistant pastor has been supported by the church, and liberal contributions have been made toward the incidental expenses of the chapel and for benevolent causes.

SOUTHERN CITY CHAPEL, Marcus L. Taft in charge.

After a refreshing visit to the home-land it was especially pleasant shortly after our return to Peking to take charge again of the work in the Southern City, which had been assigned to me before my departure to the United States.

Rev. F. D. Gamewell had kindly held the oversight of this work during the current year until I took charge, and besides, by giving magic-lantern exhibitions in the chapel, he has brought this work into prominence in the neighborhood. Mrs. Gamewell, also, by the training-class for women and school for girls, caused our public religious services to be well represented

by women and girls. By that means, also, some women were brought into the church.

The general state of the work is without any remarkable instances. The Sunday services have been well attended, and the Sunday-school has of late been rendered more attractive by illustrated charts, drawn by one of the students of Peking University.

CH'ANG-P'ING-CHOU CIRCUIT, F. D. Gamewell in charge.

Ch'ang-p'ing-chou is situated about twenty-five miles north-west from Peking. During the Ming dynasty the city was of considerable importance owing to its proximity to the Ming tombs, but from the beginning of the present dynasty it has waned in importance.

At the present time its walls, the circuit of which is three miles, contain not more than eight thousand inhabitants. There are upward of thirty-five large temples and an almost indefinite number of small temples. We gain better appreciation of these figures by supposing a town at home of eight thousand inhabitants supplied with thirty-five churches—that is to say, a church for every two hundred inhabitants.

Ch'ang-p'ing-chou is a place of considerable official importance, having over five hundred and eighty places under its jurisdiction. The official importance of the place makes it the rendezvous of a large number of yamen attendants, whose pernicious influence is the more perceptible because of the comparatively small population. Our work has suffered from unfortunate location. Several years ago we had quarters in an inn, but these could not be retained and a part of a temple was rented. We occupied rooms on one side of the temple-court, and the other sides were occupied by gamblers and as an opium-den. It is a question as to whether it would not be wiser to abandon temporarily a field rather than by such associations to seem to justify the reports which are so constantly circulated against us and which so seriously embarrass our work. After several ineffectual efforts we have secured temporary quarters in an inn, where our meetings are held.

At T'ai-p'ing-chuang-tzu, four miles from Ch'ang-p'ing-chou, one of our members, Mrs. Hao, died in peace, her funeral being the first Christian burial that has occurred in that locality.

Passing over the many discouragements of the field and of our unfortunate location, we would mention with gratitude the commendable zeal shown by a portion of our membership at T'ai-p'ing-chuang-tzu in their attendance on Sabbath services at Ch'ang-p'ing-chou. Several of our members rarely miss a service, going a distance to church and return of eight miles, frequently walking both ways.

There is good hope that negotiations, which have been begun, will result in our renting an eligible place in Ch'ang-p'ing-chou, and with better surroundings we may hope for better results.

#### TIENTSIN DISTRICT.

W. F. Walker, P. E.

*Nan-kung*.—Nan-kung Circuit is the first that appears on the list of



this district. The year has been a quiet one. An offer has been made to buy us out at Tuan-lu-tsu at a good advance on the price paid by us last year; no active opposition, however, has arisen. On fair days the native preacher opens a part of our place as a street-chapel and has interested hearers. A number of inquirers have presented themselves and one young man has joined on probation, but, Nicodemus-like, he comes only at night. In other villages adjacent the old members seem revived; candidates for probation have been received, and for the first time in years the indications are that we are on the threshold of a brighter day.

The work at Sung-an-ts'un, seventy *li* west of Tuan-lu-t'ou, has also shown signs of new life. New probationers have united with us, but this point is so far removed that it is difficult for the native pastor to give it the attention it needs, besides, the place for meeting is wholly inadequate to the use of the members already enrolled, and what to do for them is one of the problems that confront us.

*Tai-ch'eng Circuit* is part of what has been known as the Tientsin Circuit. Its center is fifty miles south-west of Tientsin, and has been manned by exhorter Chang Hsi-t'ung. The country is low and flat, a land among rivers. The historic twelve days' rain of last year flooded the entire area, submerging some of it to a depth of ten feet, totally destroying the fall crops; there has, in consequence, been great and wide-spread suffering. The Chinese government distributed relief in most of the towns of the district, but in quantities entirely insufficient to meet the need. In one instance the inspecting officer passed by several families of native Christians because they had posted Christian calendars on the walls of their homes. This caused the missionary to make special effort for the relief of the villages where our converts were. A grant of more than three hundred taels was obtained from the Tientsin Relief Committee. Thirty-three dollars, gold, were received from the Methodist Episcopal church of Carthage, Mo., and other smaller contributions from other parties, which were distributed among the needy. The distress is still great, and cannot materially abate until after the wheat harvest in June.

The religious interest has been considerable, the exhorter in charge not being able to multiply himself enough to meet the demands upon him. The statistics show that we have baptized 73 during the year, that 56 are in full membership, and 118 on probation. In addition there are four or five hundred inquirers in not less than fifty villages. Some of these are doubtless drawn by the prospect of famine relief. Others have been brought in by friends who were already Christians, and still others are companies of people who were members of secret sects, forbidden by the government. We do not hope to be able to save all these, but whatever the motive which prompted their coming, we mean to do our best to lead them to saving faith in the Christ; their names have been taken, though not placed on our church records. In some instances leaders have been appointed to teach them the catechism and lead them into the truth. Two small places have been secured temporarily for church uses, but they are ridiculously out of proportion to the needs of the people who meet there



for worship. The last visit the missionary made into this region, in one place the congregation divided itself, the women going into the house and filling it, while the men and boys sat on benches, poles, and the ground in the yard, the preacher taking his stand just outside the door of the house and so facing as to preach to all. Two Bible-women from Tientsin have been doing good work among the women for two or three months past. One day-school has been opened and a Christian teacher placed in charge. Several bright boys have also been sent to our school in Tientsin and one to Peking.

*Tientsin Circuit.*—Tientsin Circuit has been under the care of a Bible-colporteur, who has gathered the names of several candidates for church-fellowship in towns adjacent to Tientsin. In the city of Yang-liu-ch'ing, only ten miles away, there is prospect of work asking especial attention in the near future.

*Wesley and East Gate Chapels* have continued under the supervision of Brothers Brown and Ch'en, and it is unnecessary for me to attempt a detailed account of their work, as Brother Brown would embody the same in his report. They have had a good year, with growing interest and large congregations. The literati made an attempt to compel us to evacuate our East Gate Chapel premises, but negotiations failed, the floods came, and the gentry were obliged to contribute so largely to the relief of the poor that they have not pushed us farther, and we remain in quiet possession.

*Tientsin.*—*West City Chapel* has been another year without a pastor. When at home, the presiding elder has filled the pulpit; when absent, Brothers Brown and Ch'en have kindly looked after it. The congregations are larger than they have been, the room used for a chapel being quite filled, and the last few Sundays of the year it has been packed. There has also been an increase in membership, and the day-school for boys is large and flourishing. The dispensary work, carried on by Dr. Stevenson, can but be productive of great good in removing prejudice and opening the way for gospel truth. Mrs. Richard, of the English Baptist Mission, rendered valuable assistance to Dr. Stevenson as interpreter, and has been a faithful worker in teaching the boys and girls to sing, also as teacher in the Sunday-school and as guide and instructor to the women. Since she discontinued her visits our ladies of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, who are every-where abundant in labors, have cheerfully taken up her work.

*Ts'ang-chou Circuit* began the year with Wang Pao-tang, an exhorter, in charge; but complications with a family of brothers in the town where our chapel is located necessitated his removal and the appointment of another in his place. One member had to be excluded, since which the sky has been clearer. In other villages near a few probationers have been added, and we look for better days in this vicinity.

Our foreign staff has undergone some changes. During the year Mrs. Jewell and Miss Dr. Gloss, of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, left us for a well-earned furlough to the United States, while Misses Drs.



Stevenson and Benn arrived, entering almost immediately upon their duties as medical missionaries. We record with gratitude a good degree of health among native and missionary workers. Difficulties have been encountered, but every department has had its blessing, and there is more occasion to sing doxologies than to be discouraged. The total membership, including probationers, shows a growth of fifty-three per cent. over last year; many of these are weak and ignorant, but if God is able out of the mouth of babes to perfect praise, he is also able to use the weak things of this world to confound the mighty; and by his grace these weak ones shall yet become a mighty people.

WESLEY AND EAST GATE CHAPELS, Frederick Brown in charge.

We have no exciting news or special success to chronicle on the Wesley and East Gate Charge. The usual routine has been followed.

All the regular agencies have been in full swing, pastoral and evangelistic, though much valuable time has had to be given to the business needs of the mission.

The regular preaching services for the Christians, in which they have been built up and encouraged, and the more irregular services for bringing in the heathen, have taken much time and attention. The East Gate Chapel has often been crowded with an attentive congregation. As the large doors have been thrown open day by day, all kinds and conditions of men have been our listeners. Being a clean and respectable place in a good position, we have had the proud well-dressed literary graduate, and by his side the poor depraved outcast; we have had the petty official and the poor beggar; each and all find a welcome. "Whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." It is a significant fact that, perhaps, the only place in China where the official and beggar can meet on equal terms is in "Jesus Hall." The fact has now been fully demonstrated in our mission that if we want any thing above the coolie class as listeners in our street-chapels, we must have a cleaner and better class of chapels than in the past. The results of the year's work will be seen by reference to the statistics. Some of the questions asked will at once show the need for the Gospel: "Which are most numerous, gods or men?" "Can it be that some of our Chinese gods are false?" Some hear, I believe, and are saved; others doubt and pass on their way. We need faith in this work by which to see the presence of the Invisible.

The floods have interfered with our work somewhat during the year, and still they have not been an unmixed evil, for we have seen how anxious the church members have been to help their more unfortunate brethren in this time of affliction.

Special services have again been held with success. Brother Pyke came as evangelist, and was ably assisted by one member of each of the missions working in Tientsin. The membership of each Church was represented, and Congregationalist and Methodist knelt at the same altar praying for pardon and a clean heart.

The Sunday-school has taxed the capacity of the largest building we

have on the charge. The past year has seen the opening of our Boys' Boarding-School, under the name of Ch'eng-mei Hsuo-kuan. The students are bright and have done good work. We have also thirty-five day scholars. Christian books are the most prominent texts-books taught, and a number of the boys have intimated their desire to join the church.

**TSUN-HUA DISTRICT, G. R. Davis, P.E.**

During the past year thirty new members have been baptized and received into full membership and fifty-four taken on probation on this district. A few have been lost by death, but a far larger number, having ceased to attend the regular services, have been dropped, and still others have been expelled. For these reasons the roll of membership will show but a slight increase over that of last year.

The year has been one of quiet, steady work over most of the district. The death and protracted funeral services of the mother of one of the preachers kept him away from his circuit a much longer time than was desirable. On another circuit the preacher was ill so much during the winter that the work was seriously hindered. At no one point has there been any very remarkable interest, yet at several places a number of very promising probationers have been received, and some new places have been opened, where we now have growing Sabbath congregations.

After many years of watching and waiting, we have been able to secure a place in the walled city of Yu-t'ien Hsien, not by any means such a place as we would like and ought to have, but such as will serve for a place of worship for a rapidly growing class of Christians living in that vicinity, as well as for a school and the medical work, until such time as we can obtain a more suitable place.

The large market town of Sha-liu-ho, midway between the cities of Feng-jen and Yu-t'ien, where we have had rented premises for the last two years, is the real center for working the region known to us as the "Feng-jen and Yu-t'ien Circuit." It has the largest and most important fair in this entire district. For preaching the Gospel and for medical work no other place offers so many advantages or promises greater results. The building used for street chapel is a very inferior one in every way, but no better site for our work could be found in the place. The chapel, so called, is far too small for the crowds that come on market days to hear the Gospel and to receive medical treatment at the hands of the foreign physician. It has been impossible thus far to rent such a place as we need. Here, as elsewhere, owners of suitable property dare not rent to foreigners. The odium of such an act would be too great to bear. Such places can be bought, but then we have no money. We are obliged to be patient and content with inadequate and often disreputable looking places in beginning work, and bide our time and opportunity for better things.

Last year we called attention to our great need of a domestic chapel in connection with our Tsun-hua City station. The past year's experience only emphasizes our need. The rooms now used belong to the hospital, and, while admirably adapted for medical work, are far too small to serve

for chapel purposes. During the autumn there were over eighty pupils in the schools centered here, a very large class of women in the Woman's Training-school, besides a large number of resident members. All could not attend the services at one time, for lack of room. When the women come the school, girls must stay away, and the reverse at the next service. Besides being too small, the acoustic properties of these rooms are very poor. Not even so fine a speaker as our native elder, Te Jui, can be heard understandingly by those sitting in the room that has been used for women and girls. To hold Sabbath-school, after any orthodox fashion, has been quite out of the question. And on quarterly meeting occasions we have been obliged to limit the numbers attending from the outside classes of the circuit to the stewards only. This ought not to be. For several years we have seen the item for new chapel either cut off from the list by the estimating committee here, or put in the supplementary list of estimates, only to be served the same way by the Board at home. But now our work demands that this item for a chapel be treated in a more kindly way.

The year has been a trying one to the people in this region. Though not extensively flooded the crop was not more than one third the usual size. Many of our people are very poor and have required considerable help. We have urged upon our members the necessity of helping one another, and the money collected and ordinarily applied toward the salaries of the native preachers has been used for the benefit of the poorer members.

#### LAN-CHOU DISTRICT, J. H. Pyke, P.E.

To understand the geographical position of this district we have only to imagine a triangular plain, one side of which is bounded by the great wall, the other by the sea, the acute angle at their junction and the base a line at the west end running due south from the wall to the sea. The greatest width is about eighty miles, the greatest length near one hundred and ten miles. Add to this a strip a few miles wide and sixty-five miles in length along the great road from Shan-hai-kuan to Moukden, and the boundary is complete. The area is about seven thousand square miles; the population between two and three millions.

Distributed at nearly equal distances over this territory are eight large walled cities and fifty to seventy large market towns. The villages are innumerable.

On the west of this district lies the Tsun-hua District. At the southeast the Methodist New Connection has a station. They also have a work in one of the cities. On the eastern extremity the Presbyterians (Scotch and Irish) have a flourishing work.

Work on this district was begun seven years ago, with what results will appear in part from this report and the statistical tables.

The plan has been to occupy the cities and larger towns, wherever property could be secured by rent or purchase, as rapidly as the means and native assistants at our disposal would permit. From these centers.



the Gospel would be preached and Scriptures and tracts distributed through the regions round about.

From the beginning we have been embarrassed for want of funds, efficient native preachers, and by the determined opposition of the literati. But we will not speak of the difficulties. The results have been greater than were anticipated, and the reasons for thanksgiving, for help and blessing received, and for hope for the future are many.

The Church is now securely planted in two of the largest cities where property is owned by the Missionary Society. Each city has a number of organized societies and regular appointments within a radius of twenty-five miles.

In a third city we have property rented and a membership of thirty-five in the suburbs and adjoining villages. In two others we have colporteurs stationed. Property is offered at reasonable rent in one of these, and four members are reported, while in a village within ten miles of the city there is a society of twenty-one members. In still another city we rented property last year and had a school in operation. This year we have removed to a large and busy town ten miles distant, where we have a number of members and where the promise of immediate results is much greater. In another city, sixty-five miles beyond Shan-hai-kuan, there is a family of Christians, and we are urged to visit the place and begin work. The want of men and means is all that has prevented us from accepting the invitation. Seven of the cities have been mentioned. The Methodist New Connection have for some years had rented property and a few members in the eighth. We have good hope that all these cities may become powerful centers of religious influence.

The society owns two chapels, has the lease of a third, and rents five. Regular Sunday services are held in twelve different places. Including probationers and baptized children, there is a membership of three hundred and eleven. Seventy-eight adults and eighteen children have been baptized during the year. Two have been received by letter from the Presbyterian Church at Moukden.

Notwithstanding the crops were greatly damaged and in many places destroyed by the heavy rains and floods of last summer, and the sufferings of the people have consequently been great, the collections for self-support, missions, and the poor are considerably in advance of last year; besides, the amounts reported this year were all contributed by the natives, which was not the case last year.

Three special revival services were held during the year. At one, conducted by the native preachers, the presence and power of the Spirit were manifest. The church was deeply moved, and forty to fifty conversions were reported. It would be too much to say all were genuine and thorough, but there is good reason to believe that many were both genuine and deep. The results of the other two meetings were encouraging. The churches were refreshed and a number were converted. These meetings are more than profitable. The spiritual life and growth of the church depend upon their frequency and success.



At both Lan-chou and Shan-hai-kuan a number of substantial business men have come into the church and made good class-leaders and stewards. They have taken hold of the local affairs of the church with hearty good will and give freely of their time and money.

Seven of these men, during the winter, spent two months at their own expense in studying the Scriptures and doctrines of the Church, under the instruction of the native preacher. Three of them have been recommended for exhorters' licenses. They have already begun to make themselves useful in holding services in the absence of the preacher. We hope they will prove themselves worthy of local preachers' licenses and render efficient service without compensation. We think we get a glimpse of daylight here on the question of self-support.

For the prosecution of the work throughout this region the mission is now enjoying 1 ordained preacher, 2 unordained and 3 lay preachers, 8 school teachers, and 12 other helpers. The aggregate of their salaries is something over \$100 per month.

The appropriation for the entire district is \$1,399, which is too small by several hundred dollars. Our estimate was \$2,199. Small as it was, this was cut down \$800. To keep within the appropriation the present force must be reduced, some of the places now occupied must be given up, and our plan of extension must be changed for one of contraction.

#### EDUCATIONAL WORK.

PEKING UNIVERSITY.—The two words "*healthful growth*" amply express the condition of this institution since the last report was made.

The assets of the schools are larger, the number of pupils is greater, the grade of studies pursued has been higher, the appliances for instruction are more numerous, the deportment of the students has been better, and the spiritual results of the work are in advance of any previous year.

At the formal organization of the Board of Trustees in New York, Bishop E. G. Andrews was elected President of the Board; Rev. S. L. Baldwin, D.D., Secretary; Mr. Charles H. Taft (P.-O. Box 1116, New York city), Treasurer; and provision was made for a Board of Managers resident in China.

Through the efforts of Rev. M. L. Taft a fund amounting to over \$5,000 has been raised toward the purchase of a college campus. A part of the land has already been bought, and negotiations for more are in progress. At the last meeting of the General Missionary Committee of the Methodist Episcopal Church a generous grant of \$6,000 was made for the erection of dormitory buildings. There is a productive endowment fund, including several scholarships, aggregating about \$3,600. And the land and buildings now in use for the preparatory and industrial departments in Peking are valued at \$10,000. These sums, together with the value of illustrative apparatus, *swell the present available assets of the educational work to more than \$25,000.*

Through the kindness of friends in England, America, and China several new scholarships have been started, making a total of *twenty-two*

*annual scholarships* now being applied to the education of needy but worthy pupils.

By donations a considerable addition has been made to the number of books in the library, which now comprises *over one thousand volumes*, besides a large collection of pamphlets. A reading-room has been opened and supplied with a good assortment of periodicals in Chinese and English. This has been well patronized by the students, and many of their essays and debates bear evidence of judicious reference to books in the library.

Among the additions to the illustrative apparatus of the institution are a Bell telephone, an Edison phonograph, telegraphic instruments, and a considerable amount of other apparatus, a part of which were manufactured in our own shop.

The Industrial School has been enlarged by the addition of a shop for working in metals, and a large number of pupils have been admitted to this department. Some of the pupils have already acquired skill in carpentering, and by their skill are beginning to reimburse us for the outlay incident to their earlier apprenticeship.

Kindergarten methods among the smallest pupils of the primary department have been successfully used by Miss Davis, and the display made at the close of last term was very creditable, giving promise of even better things in the future.

Something has been done in the way of systematic physical exercise, and a number of the students have acquired considerable skill in the use of the Indian-clubs; but the Chinese disposition, as well as their costume, is averse to violent exercise of any kind, and much remains to be done in this line.

The work of the theological and medical departments has been carried forward by the members of the mission in addition to their other work. In the College of Liberal Arts the corps of instructors has been increased by the arrival, last autumn, of Rev. I. T. Headland, of Boston University, who, while studying the Chinese language, has had charge of one of the English classes. Miss Davis also, in addition to her school work, has had to give much time to study of the Chinese. And both Mr. Gamewell and myself have had regular circuit and chapel work. No member of the mission has been able to give undivided time to educational work.

Large classes have been carried through a thorough elementary course in physics and chemistry; a number of the students have learned much of the science of telegraphy, and the junior class has completed a text-book in astronomy, and found much enjoyment, as well as instruction, in studying "the open face of the heavens." These studies have been taught in English; classes in the Old and New Testament Scriptures, elementary mathematics, geography, and the native classics have been conducted in the vernacular.

An unusual amount of sickness prevailed in the city during the year, and materially affected the healthfulness of our schools. Two of our pupils died of typhus fever, and several more came very near to death's

door. A few weeks ago an epidemic of sore eyes prevailed among the boys in the primary department, and at one time threatened to break up the school.

Auxiliary schools at Tientsin, Tsun-hua, and T'ai-an are now established, and a good class of pupils, from each of these districts, is being prepared for the more advanced courses in Peking. The organization of these feeders to the university constitutes one of the most important advanced moves in our educational work made during the year.

L. W. PILCHER.

#### TRAINING-CLASS.

The annual gathering of the members of the training-class, from far and near, took place shortly after our arrival in Peking, and this work was assigned to me. As the students were divided into three classes and numbered as high as forty, the instruction could not be carried on without assistance, which was very kindly rendered by Brothers Lowry and Game-well, as well as by the Chinese preacher, Li Shao-wen.

The usual studies were pursued, being Old and New Testament History, Evidences of Christianity, Elementary Geography, Exegesis of the Epistle to the Galatians, and Sheffield's Church History.

That the idea of having these men gathered at Peking from the various out-stations, some from points several hundred miles away, for the more thorough study of Christianity, is excellent, no one can reasonably deny. Here they see work carried on in different evangelistic methods; here they attend the crowded Sabbath congregations in Asbury Chapel; here they have the opportunity of participating in the union meetings of the week of prayer; and here they thereby develop that *esprit de corps* which is invaluable, especially among such people as the Chinese.

#### MEDICAL WORK.

PEKING METHODIST HOSPITAL.—The Peking medical work has been carried on during the ten months ending March 31 in about the usual manner, with good results, better in some respects than in previous years, but with some disappointments and trials and a knowledge gained by experience of where the work can be improved in the future. Pre-conceived notions of how such a work should be carried on vanish more and more the deeper one gets into it. The Chinese, our antipodes in so many ways, are none the less so in their manner of dealing with the foreign physician, and all cases cannot be approached in the same manner. Patience and tact are the two elements to be most cultivated in our intercourse with them. Some come with a great sense of risk in their contact with us, ask all sorts of questions, sensible and foolish, and eye every movement of doctor and assistants with suspicion. Others have been known to flee at the sight of a thermometer case, while still others are willing to submit to almost any thing; in fact, having a faith in our power that makes us feel somewhat small.

In times of weariness, trouble, and anxiety about the work we have more than ever learned the necessity of entire dependence upon Him

"who doeth all things well," and of sinking self out of sight and doing the work because it is for His honor and glory.

In the hospital we have treated 76 patients. Of these 27 were opium cases, 28 surgical, and 18 medical cases. Of the remaining 3 cases the records were lost through carelessness of assistants in charge. A disease dreaded in all hospitals appeared two or three times this year, that is, erysipelas. With our limited accommodations we cannot set aside a special ward for such cases. Though amenable to treatment, this may become extremely dangerous when attacking a wounded surface. To avoid this danger several cases were refused admittance, because all other rooms were occupied, and it would have been risking a good deal to have put them into a room known to be infected. Another thing which makes us feel more than ever the need of larger and better quarters is that persons of a better class, after inspecting the only accommodations we can offer them, refuse to come. They cannot have the privacy they desire, nor are the accommodations of the style that they are accustomed to.

It will be seen that the proportion of opium cases has been less than usual, with an increase in the surgical and medical cases. While we regret the falling off in one, we are much pleased at the increase in the others, showing that the people are perceptibly reposing more confidence in us. Five women have been included among the in-patients. This number could be greatly increased had we the proper place to offer them.

The number of outsiders in attendance at dispensary is constantly increasing. We always have a few from the schools. If any comparisons are made with numbers given in last report it must be remembered that one thousand were seen on country visits last year, whereas this year only one trip was made, and that by Dr. Jones, in company with Brother Lowry, in distributing relief funds, when he saw two hundred and twenty-five. The dispensary for women and children, opened a year and a half ago, was discontinued at Chinese New Year. The assistance hoped for in keeping this work open we were disappointed in, and by a little crowding the women and children were given a separate waiting-room at the hospital dispensary, where the attendance is about as usual.

Altogether four thousand seven hundred and seventy-three patients were treated in the dispensaries, and this does not include a few visits to homes nor practice among foreigners. Besides the operations on hospital cases, we have treated fractures and ulcers, opened abscesses, and pulled teeth at clinics.

Seven cases of opium poisoning have been treated, four of which recovered, two died, and the result of one is unknown.

This has been an unusual year in the number of fever cases and inflammatory diseases of the eye.

We were again in the autumn and early winter visited by that great "globe trotter"—influenza. In the first epidemic the disease in the compound was limited to Chinese. In the second visitation few natives were attacked, but the foreigners felt its grip. Very few of the foreigners escaped some form of illness during the year.



We still feel that God is leading and directing in the work. Our greatest desire is that we may do more for him. Besides the necessity felt for a new hospital, we would like to see some arrangement made for more systematic dispensary preaching. It is impossible for the assistants who have studies to keep up at the same time to fill the three positions of assistants, students, and preachers. Until the beginning of the training-class the native preacher was very regular in attendance, and we know of one at least brought into the church during that time. After the preacher gave up the work, some of the larger boys in the school were asked to take turns in talking to the waiting patients. They were quite faithful for a short time, then became spasmodic, and finally ceased altogether, and for the past two or three months we have been most of the time without any help in this direction.

W. H. CURTISS, M.D.

#### TSUN-HUA METHODIST HOSPITAL.

The Tsun-hua medical work now consists of a hospital and five dispensing stations, open regularly for the distribution of medicine, besides many out-villages, where irregular visits are made and medicine dispensed from the homes of church members and others who invite us.

*Kuang-chi Hospital* has accommodations for forty patients, and is divided into surgical, fever, ulcer, and trachoma wards, which have been open all the year for the reception of patients.

A daily clinic has been held in the *Hospital Dispensary*, with an average attendance of twenty.

The *City Chapel Dispensary* is an innovation of the past year; work was carried on here before the hospital was built, but has been closed since that time. As a means of attracting numbers to chapel preaching and bringing our work more prominently before the people, this work has been reopened on market days, with an average attendance of more than sixty patients.

It has been our purpose for two years to open a dispensing station at *Sha-liu-ho*, one of the busiest market towns north of Tientsin, but the failure to secure and repair suitable property has detained us. Last summer the successful removal of a very large tumor from the back of a merchant gave us some reputation and brought repeated invitations to visit the place. With these encouragements and the opening of the street chapel on rented property, the first visit was made January 13, since which time this place has been visited by me or my assistant every ten days, with an average attendance of two hundred and forty-two, and if the sun would but stand still, as it did on one memorable occasion, as many more would apply for treatment. Although the accommodations are poor for our work, and *Sha-liu-ho* is thirty miles from Tsun-hua, each trip taking three full days' time, we are far from discouraged with the station, and hope, with increased facilities, a larger chapel, and a special room for dispensing, this work may be made a power for God.

*Ping-cheng-tzu*, sixteen miles distant, has been visited every ten days,



with an average attendance of one hundred and thirty. This is the third year work has been carried on there with no abatement in numbers or interest. The work has not been followed up as carefully as we could wish, on account of illness of the helper in charge. But the seed sown in this busy market town is, we trust, not lost, but will bear fruit to change their hearts as it has already their manner toward us.

*Hsi-chuang-tzu*, ten miles from Tsun-hua, has also been visited every tenth day, with an average attendance of fifty. This work has been done in connection with the street chapel preaching, and has added to the congregation of listeners and called the attention of the people to our work. Two trips have been made during the year over the *Lan-chou* and *Shan-hai-kuan* districts, in company with the presiding elder, dispensing medicine for some days at Shan-hai-kuan each trip, and for shorter periods at other stations.

The work has been made as far-reaching as our limited force could make it, and the opportunities afforded in hospital and dispensaries of acquainting the people with Christian truths has not been allowed to pass unimproved. It is always our custom to receive these patients in the chapels and engage them in religious conversation till the time for opening the dispensaries, and ask them to buy one of our books which are exposed for sale.

No. of in-patients during the year.....	94
No. of visits made to homes.....	81
No. of out-patients in dispensaries.....	11,509
Total.....	11,684
No. of operations performed in hospital,.....	99
No. of operations performed in dispensary.....	192
Total.....	291

Contributions to our work have been received during the year from friends in China and the home land, the church at Wellfleet, Mass., supporting a bed as in the past.

The past year has been a busy and encouraging one, though like every such work it has also had its discouragements. Many cases might be cited of much interest, both from a physician's and Christian's stand-point. We leave the year with its mistakes, regrets, and encouragements with God, turning toward the new with fresh courage and prayer for renewed power and "strength for the day."

N. S. HOPKINS, M.D.

W. F. M. S.—PEKING.

*Boarding-Schools.* Owing to the fact that far more than half of our pupils come from country homes more or less distant, and that the roads in every direction from Peking were rendered almost impassable during the summer and early autumn by the floods of the rainy season, but few were on hand for opening of school on September 1. And more than a month elapsed before classes could be regularly organized for the term,

with sixty pupils in attendance. In November Sarah Wang arrived from Shang-tung, bringing eighteen more from An-chia-chuang and Tientsin.

Our enrollment for the year has been one hundred and three. Of these eight, two of whom were married, have, for various reasons, returned home, leaving ninety-five now under instruction. Many more applications for admission have come to us than with our limited number of workers we have felt able to grant; and for the same reason our work for those already in charge has been greatly lacking in satisfaction to ourselves.

Since the New Year's vacation Mrs. Gamewell has kindly afforded us most grateful assistance, much lightening our care as well as labor. Our promised aid from America is eagerly anticipated for our coming year's work.

Our school has consisted of two departments, designated as the "High-School" and the "Primary School" respectively.

The high-school has been constantly under supervision of a foreign lady, Miss Ketring, Mrs. Gamewell, and myself, so arranging our recitations as to successively occupy the school room. The primary department has been under the direct control of Miss Sarah Wang, assisted by Mrs. Wu, the Bible-woman, and one of the older school-girls. And the ability she has here shown is one of the best evidences we can afford of the value of work done in our school in past years. We have also had most gratifying testimony to this from the work of our former pupils as teachers and helpers elsewhere and in other departments of our work.

The progress of pupils in prescribed studies has been satisfactory with but very few exceptions.

The spirit of the school has been good, the Christian influence of the majority of the older girls giving help to the entire school. During the year fifteen pupils and the new matron who came to us in the autumn have been baptized and received into the church.

Although during the year we have had one case each of small-pox, pneumonia, and diphtheria, and several light cases of malarial fever, yet the health of the pupils in general has, we think, been above the average, and no death has occurred, which has been cause for great thankfulness.

The *Day-school*, under Mrs. I's instruction, has had an enrollment of thirty-five pupils, and the attendance has been reasonably regular; the number decreasing as the warm season has advanced. The pupils have been regular in attendance at Sabbath-school. In addition to catechism, Scripture, Christian books, and hymn-singing formerly taught, the older pupils, girls from fifteen to eighteen years of age, have studied primary geography and mental arithmetic, showing interest and making good progress.

*Han-ts'un School.* After it was decided impracticable to open a school in Shan-tung, on account of Mrs. Jewell's illness and return to America, it was decided necessary, because of our limited number of workers in Peking, to recall Sarah Wang to our aid and abandon thought of school work there until a foreign lady can be at liberty to establish and visit it from time to time. We, therefore, decided to venture upon the experi-

ment of opening a school at Han-ts'un, distant but forty miles, and thus within visiting distance from Peking, without too long absence from our work here. Accommodations were most kindly provided by the Methodist Episcopal Mission, and the school given in charge of Miss Sung Su-chen, a pupil of our school and daughter of the native preacher stationed there. Food, fire, and room, but no bedding or clothing, were furnished the pupils, who came from the surrounding villages. The number is limited to twenty pupils, and it is required that all unbind their feet upon entrance. The school has been maintained at an expense of about \$1.25 per month for each pupil, and the average for the year may prove even less.

An industrial class was organized and conducted for a few weeks; but pressure of other work compelled that it be dropped until a more convenient season, which we hope may soon arrive.

Save for improving such opportunities as have incidentally fallen in our way in pursuit of routine work, there has been no opportunity for evangelistic work.

ANNIE B. SEARS, MARY KETRING.

#### WOMAN'S TRAINING-SCHOOL.

Thirty-three women were received into the school between the months of September and March. Half the number had been under instruction in this school last year. The others were nearly all poor old women who had suffered at home from the floods and came to school for food and shelter during the winter. We received them all, as, with one exception, they were probationers or members of the church, and tried to teach each one the Gospel, according as she was able to receive instruction.

The unpromising ones were sent home as soon as the warmer weather made it possible for them to go, without sending them to suffering or perhaps death.

Twenty-five were in school at the close of its session in March. The classes were of four grades. Besides these there were two old women, who did not succeed in learning any characters, but they listened intelligently, and we thought they absorbed from constant hearing enough truth on which to begin a saving faith. These old ladies made themselves useful in the kitchen.

The studies pursued were as follows: A Scripture primer printed in large characters (that delighted the old ladies, because so big and so few of them!); the catechism, Bible history, a simple rendering of Christian doctrine, and *Evidences of Christianity*.

I employed an old man and a woman who had been educated in the American Board Mission as teachers of the Chinese characters. Mrs. Hobart and myself had daily recitations and general lessons besides. In this way the school was so ordered as to bring the women under constant instruction, so that even the very dull, who could not learn to read, might learn by much hearing.

In order to give all the time possible to the women for study, I estab-

lished a kitchen and provided food instead of giving money to them and letting each provide for herself.

In making this change the fact developed that the money formerly given, small as the amount had been (seven cents per day), was inducement enough to bring women to the school with the object of *saving* money. To such the change was very distasteful. I started an industrial department, which I hope may develop sufficiently to afford employment to needy women of the church whom we wish to help over hard winters.

I have thought the name of the school may have something to do with creating wrong impressions as to its object. Perhaps "Woman's Bible School" or some like name might be a better designation.

MARY PORTER GAMEWELL.

#### TIENTSIN.

We all know only too well the loss the woman's work in Tientsin has sustained through the necessary return to America of Mrs. Jewell and Dr. Gloss without its being enlarged upon here. The arrival of our two new doctors a few days before her departure gave Dr. Gloss the comforting assurance that she was leaving her work in competent hands.

Our reference committee decided to ask Mrs. Richard, of the English Baptist Mission, to assist us half of each day; and to her we tender our heartfelt thanks for her faithful and efficient work in the training-school, among the women and children of the west city, and the patients in the hospital. We also owe Mrs. Walker a debt of gratitude for her earnest efforts in the training-school, and her care for our woman's weekly prayer-meeting.

Although distance has made it difficult to look after our west city work satisfactorily, an increased attendance at church and Sunday-school and ever-increasing interest among the women and girls, as well as the fact that a number have joined the church, make us feel that the work has not been in vain. Even through the mud have they gone to get an opportunity to hear more about the great God.

I am sorry to be obliged to state that, owing to the teacher being without interest, the west city day-school languished and died a lingering death. Miss Wilson visited it unexpectedly a number of times, and found no one but the teacher, who was engaged in household pursuits. The hospital patients have manifested much desire to hear about the doctrine, and many of them have learned to read a little, the children, when able, attending the day-school; and we hope our efforts on their behalf will spread much farther than the hospital walls.

One patient, afflicted with an incurable disease, begged so hard to be allowed to remain and attend the training-school, that permission was granted. She was baptized a few weeks ago. Her face has changed in a very marked degree. When I first saw her, a year and a half ago, her face was an index of a vacant mind. But now the love of God, which passes all understanding, makes it radiant. A family in the city asked that some one might go to their home and tell them more about Jesus.



The Bible-woman made a number of visits, when the parents were taken into the church, and the daughter, a girl of fifteen, came to the day-school. She had only attended a few days when she appeared one morning with her feet unbound.

The Tzu-chu-lin day-school, under Miss Wilson's direct supervision, has been very prosperous. Three of the training-school women have taken turns teaching it, Sai Na-li doing the teaching before the opening of the training-school. Two of the girls have come into the church. Day-schools in Tzu-chu-lin are all small, owing, perhaps partly at least, to the fact that there are five not far distant the one from the others. Our maximum attendance was fourteen, the largest, I believe, of any; this, however, included four children of the training-school women. The church members have been visited in their own homes by Miss Wilson and the Bible-woman, thus helping them to feel that a personal interest was felt in their welfare. The number in the training-school averaged twenty-six women and one boy, a brother of Liu Chi-lun, who came as a patient and studied with the women all winter. All, with perhaps three exceptions, made very excellent progress in their books.

ANNA E. STEERE, FRANCES O. WILSON.

*The Isabella Fisher Hospital.* During the past year Tientsin medical work has suffered the loss of Dr. Gloss, and although two of us came to the work shortly before she left we are not yet able to fill her place. Our not being able to speak Chinese has put double work on Miss Steere and Miss Wilson, who have kindly and patiently interpreted for us, riding long distances and staying out nights when necessary. During the winter Mrs. Richard did the interpreting at the Hsi-t'ou dispensary, also spending some time each week in evangelistic work among the patients in the hospital.

Religious teaching has been given all who have come within our walls. We trust much seed has been sown that will bear fruitage in the future. A number of children have had their first lessons in reading while in the hospital, several becoming day-school scholars. Some who came to us for bodily healing have felt the touch of the Great Physician and have, we believe, become spiritually whole.

The dispensary work has been very satisfactory; also the out-practice. The hospital work has not been so encouraging; many who have been in need of operations or careful treatment have been unwilling or unable to come into the hospital.

It is with regret that we close the work for the summer for rest and study, believing that our future usefulness will be greater by so doing.

The number of patients treated is as follows:

Number of new patients treated in dispensary.....	3,768
Subsequent visits.....	6,812
Patients treated in wards.....	90
Visits to patients at their homes since November 1, 1890.....	497

Total number.....	11,167
Fees received since November 1, 1890.....	\$99.55

M. IDA STEVENSON, M.D., RACHEL R. BENN, M.D.



## TSUN-HUA.

In reviewing the record of the past year, in the boarding and day schools, I find very little that shows for all the busy days and weeks; and yet we know that unless this daily routine work is faithfully carried out our work will amount to nothing in the end.

*The Boarding-school* has been crowded with forty-three pupils, and it takes a good deal of planning to get them all seated in a two chien school-room. A change was made in the teachers, and Hui Fang, one of the Peking girls, has proved a real blessing, having a sunny disposition and being always willing to work.

Nearly all the girls have done well in their studies, and a class of five are ready to send to the high-school in Peking. One was expelled for misconduct, and another, after a three years' trial, is still unable to *pei* (repeat) the catechism, and will be dropped.

The outlook for self-support is not very encouraging here in Tsun-hua. Applications have been many and frequent to support the families at home as well as the children in school!

*The Day-school* was started three years ago by Dr. Terry. Nearly all the same pupils still attend, and good progress has been made, as the last examination showed. Fourteen attended until recently, when small-pox visited the school, and the number was greatly reduced.

LILLIAN G. HALE.

*Woman's Work.* When the Master sent out the disciples, his first command was to tell the glad tidings, and the after charge was to heal the bodies of men. In looking over the twofold work of the year—evangelistic and medical—the first always rises in importance as the great work to be done, and as such demands attention first in making a report of the year.

Our training-school for women opened this year about the middle of November. Eleven women who were in the school last year re-entered this year, and eighteen new ones were received. Their general progress in study was satisfactory. Some who studied last year have finished the Gospel of Matthew, and one has read Luke and part of John. Of those who entered this year, two had been in the Tientsin training-school under Mrs. Jewell's instruction, and were well advanced in study. There were but two women who were unable to finish the catechism.

The progress of one woman is worthy of special mention. She is fifty-eight years old, and has been for years a servant in a Chinese family. She entered the training-school about a month after it was opened. During the first two weeks she read the Scripture primer, and two weeks later she finished the catechism. Then followed the *Talks with Women*, which she read understandingly, and at the close of the term she had read nine chapters in the Gospel of Matthew. It was a pleasure to watch her intellectual progress, but more to see her readiness to grasp divine truth.

*The Medical Work* shows some increase over last year. The dis-

pensary in the city has never been largely attended, but the country clinics have always been good. It is difficult for the women to come long distances to be treated, but they are glad to come to the foreign doctor when visits are made to their villages. At the beginning of the year I planned to make a country trip each week, but the pressure of work at home has often made it impossible to carry out this plan. An exceedingly interesting work might be carried on at the country stations if one had more time to attend to it, for besides giving medicine there is always opportunity to talk to the women, and in the places where we have chapels and a church membership the women are always willing to meet together for a short prayer-meeting.

Besides the outside work a number of patients have been received and treated in the hospital.

The following are the statistics:

Total number of prescriptions, 3,000; obstetrical cases, 8; total number of in-patients, 21; entropium, 10; dysentery, 3; bronchitis, 2; amputation of three toes, 1; unclassified, 5.

EDNA G. TERRY, M.D.

# STATISTICS OF NORTH CHINA.

## CIRCUIT OR STATION.

	Foreign Missionaries.	Foreign Women.	Nat. Workers.	Nat. Ordained Preachers.	Native Unord. Preachers.	Native Teachers.	Other Helpers.	Members.	Probationers.	Absentees.	Average Attendance on Sunday Worship.	Adults Baptized.	Children Baptized.	No. of Theological Schools.	No. of Teachers in same.	No. of Students.	No. of High-schools.	No. of Pupils.	No. of other Day-schools.	No. of other Day-schools.	No. of Sabbath-schools.	No. of Sabbath-schools.	No. of Churches and Chapels.	Estimated Value of Churches and Chapels.	No. of Halls and other rented Place of Worship.	No. of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Estimated Value of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Value of Orphanages, Schools, etc.	Collected for Missionary Society.	Collected for other Benevolent Societies.	Collected for Self-support.	Collected for Church Building and Repairing.	Collected for other Local Purposes.				
<i>Peking District.</i>																																					
Asbury Chapel.....	9	8	2	1	8	1	9	1	153	25	17	300	40	4	2	5	73	2	11	223	1	85	1	450	2	\$4,500	1	4,000	1	3,000	7	\$30,000	\$12,000	\$222 71	\$22 81	\$10 00	\$82 76
Southern City.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	52	17	72	6	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8		
Yang-ko Chuang Circuit.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	28	22	4	12	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8		
Chang-ping Chou ".....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	38	4	12	45	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16		
Tung-an ".....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	67	27	30	45	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18		
Huang-tsun ".....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	18	16	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12		
Han-tsun ".....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	71	57	160	120	20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Yen-ching-chou ".....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9		
<i>Tientsin District.</i>																																					
Wesley and East Gate.....	2	2	4	2	1	1	2	1	77	50	25	130	17	6	1	3	26	1	2	10	2	49	1	140	2	7,900	1	7,900	1	16,000	5	16,000	5	16,000	5	16,000	
Tientsin, West City.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	30	20	50	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6		
Tientsin Circuit.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10		
Tsang-chou ".....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	34	28	38	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Nan-kung ".....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	42	26	25	40	6	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Tai-cheng ".....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	56	118	400	850	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	
<i>Shan-tung District.</i>																																					
An-chia chuang Circuit.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	144	134	100	140	22	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	
Tai-an Fu Circuit.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	53	29	50	65	34	6	1	2	20	1	2	20	1	21	1	21	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Chi-ning-chou Circuit.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
<i>Tsuen-hua District.</i>																																					
Tsuen-hua City.....	3	3	2	2	1	1	2	1	48	12	20	120	7	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	
Tsuen-hua Circuit.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	61	38	75	75	9	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Liang-tzu-ho and Ping-an-Cheng Circuit.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	60	14	20	60	9	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	
Yü-tien and Feng-jen Cir't.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	38	32	60	60	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
<i>Lan-chou District.</i>																																					
Lan-chou City.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	105	38	24	40	42	9	1	1	7	1	1	7	1	4	1	50	1	2,500	1	2,500	1	65,300	21	65,300	21	65,300	21	65,300	
Shan-hai-nan Circuit.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	55	67	15	89	37	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	
<i>Totals.</i>	3513	8	4	8	9	34	1	37	1227	795	893	1621	865	63	6	13	153	5	16	207	81	438	14	1177	18	23,110	17	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21		
Last year.....	1514	9	4	6	8	27	1	38	972	672	84	993	261	84	2	6	53	4	14	233	27	832	12	907	14	23,111	18	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21		

## RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

Peking.....	10	8	2	2	3	3	9	4	422	177	211	571	99	5	2	5	73	2	11	223	7	106	5	632	5	\$9,100	4	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
Tientsin.....	2	2	4	2	2	7	1	8	239	252	473	600	103	9	1	3	26	1	2	10	7	106	3	250	4	8,010	1	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
Shan-tung.....	1	1	2	2	4	2	1	2	198	165	150	205	57	25	1	2	20	1	2	6	4	61	1	60	4	4,000	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Tsuen-hua.....	3	3	2	1	2	6	1	8	208	96	20	825	30	6	1	2	29	2	5	64	5	53	3	170	3	3,000	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
Lan-chou.....	1	1	2	1	2	8	1	12	160	105	89	120	79	18	1	1	7	1	1	8	112	2	65	2	3,000	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	
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Notes.—By Assistant Missionaries is meant the wives of Foreign Missionaries; the wives of Native Preachers are not here reported. In Schools, Pupils, all Properties and the Value thereof, and Collections, are included there also of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Other Helpers, Ambassadors, Bible Readers, Christian Workers, and their families, are not reported. By is meant the Christians.

## IV.

## WEST CHINA.

Commenced in 1881.

HEAD-QUARTERS, CHUNG-KING.

BISHOP GOODSSELL HAS EPISCOPAL SUPERVISION.

SPENCER LEWIS, *Superintendent*.

## MISSIONARIES.

H. Olin Cady,

J. H. McCartney, M.D.,

S. A. Smith,

H. L. Canright, M. D.

## ASSISTANT MISSIONARIES.

Mrs. Esther B. Lewis,

Mrs. J. H. McCartney,

Mrs. Margaret M. Canright.

Rev. Spencer Lewis, Superintendent, reports as follows :

Again are we called upon to acknowledge the peace and prosperity which have attended our West China work for another year, "according to the good hand of our God upon us." We are privileged to report progress in every department. Though the gains are not great, they are healthful and of a character which gives promise of better things in the future. In building up a new work there are other things more to be desired than numbers. For the salvation of large numbers of souls we long and labor and pray ; but Holy Ghost work in the hearts of believers and a steadily advancing spiritual tone are of still greater importance. The beginning of work in many mission stations has been afflicted with a sort of a spiritual dry rot, because of indiscretion and undue haste in receiving candidates for baptism and church membership. To avoid the mistakes of others in these respects would be only common prudence.

To obtain converts truly regenerate and mighty in the Scriptures from those just rescued from the pit of heathenism is not the work of a day or a year. The foundations of the spiritual temple must be laid deep and largely out of sight if they are to sustain the scripturally perfect superstructure. Concepts of purity, holiness, and love for one's kind are utterly foreign to the heathen mind. There must be living embodiments in the persons of their own countrymen before they are led to acknowledge the mighty power of God.

## A NATIVE MINISTRY.

A trained and spiritual ministry is the demand in China. Not that foreign missionaries are not needed. If the present number were increased

a hundred-fold there would be no lack of work for them. They may be useful in all departments, but are especially needed to guide and inspire an army of native workers. Few foreigners, even after long experience, get to know the Chinese as they know each other. In the earnest hand to hand work of evangelization the latter, other things being equal, will have the greater success. So he who does the most in the training of these workers is really doing the most for the final salvation of this people.

Last year we reported two exhorters; this year we have five. During the first years of our work here we employed two preachers transferred from a sister mission. Both proved unfaithful and were dismissed. Our present force is purely indigenous. All have done volunteer work for some time before being regularly employed, and one does so still, though continuing in his business. Only one of them gives especial promise as a preacher, but they are all growing, and, we believe, are faithful and spiritual men. One of them has a history too long to be recounted here. He comes of a well-to-do family in which there is a great deal of hostility to the Gospel; but a cousin, formerly notorious in all that region for evil, has joined us on probation. We hope that this may be the beginning of a gracious work in that region.

#### ITINERATIONS.

Less has been accomplished under this head than we had hoped and desired. Two or three journeys of several hundred miles each, and several shorter ones, have been undertaken by the missionaries and the native brethren. The distance traveled would aggregate between two and three thousand miles. During the coming year we hope to give special attention to the visitation of the towns and villages within forty or fifty miles of Chung-king and Chen-tu. Our force is too small to do much; but we hope, as our working strength becomes greater, to do systematic evangelistic work in the country.

While we would not weaken the work at our principal stations, we recognize the fact that larger fruit has usually attended the work in country places. We have several converts and inquirers from an important district city situated on one of the roads to Chen-tu and distant several days' journey from the nearest mission station. These circumstances seem to us to constitute a providential call, and we hope to open the place as an out-station, and later as a principal station.

#### CHEN-TU.

We rejoice to be able to report the opening and occupation of Chen-tu, the capital of this province, as one of the centers of our work. It is the political and literary center of the province and the most populous and influential city in West China. It is situated in the midst of one of the most fertile and densely populated plains which the sun shines upon. More than a score of cities and hundreds of villages lie within easy reach and could be readily worked from it. Being a literary center, it should be



the chief educational center of our mission. We were compelled to open the work with one man, but should occupy strongly as soon as possible. We should have one medical and two clerical missionaries, leaving one clerical free to itinerate in the surrounding plain. In April a house was rented, and in June H. O. Cady moved there and soon after opened work. He reports a good attendance on the daily and Sabbath preaching and several inquirers. We trust the Lord will give us early fruit there.

#### CHUNG-KING.

The mission is better housed than a year ago by a good brick chapel with seating accommodation for four hundred people, and a good hospital with partly foreign and partly native buildings. The cost of the chapel, including furniture, was about \$2,000, and of the hospital about \$3,500. We lack a dispensary and are at present renting for that purpose.

#### SCHOOLS.

Although there have been a few less primary pupils in attendance than last year, owing to lack of accommodations, there has been good advance in grading and in the character of the pupils. We report for the first time the beginnings of a high-school with eleven pupils. The mission owns no buildings for school purposes yet, but we have a grant with which we hope soon to purchase land, and then we trust the buildings will come as our needs require. We wish to purchase a tract of land large enough for all the future educational work of this station.

The girls' school is in charge of Mrs. Lewis, and consists of about fourteen pupils, the majority of whom have been in school for about three years. Whenever the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society see fit to renew their work here they will find a good beginning made.

#### MEDICAL.

Dr. J. H. McCartney arrived on the field on the 30th of November, 1890, and began dispensing work soon after. On the arrival of drugs three months later native buildings were fitted up for temporary hospital and dispensary. In the meantime were laid the foundations for a hospital, which was dedicated October 2. We could not have a better location, situated as it is on one of the highest elevations in the city and on the city wall, which it overlooks. The hospital proper consists of two brick wards, one male and one female, each 65x26 feet. Each building, besides the general ward, has two private rooms, and also two smaller rooms, one used for bath-room and one for medicines. Separate from the wards is a small building for surgical operations and a two-story building consisting of dining-room, kitchen, guest-hall, and rooms for help. The opium refuge and out-buildings, all native, are in a separate compound and have accommodations for about fifty patients. The hospital proper will accommodate about the same number. Altogether there are seven buildings, all quite separate from each other. We believe it is one of the best hos-

pitals in China, well suited to do the Master's work and to win souls for Christ.

Nearly five thousand visits have been made to the dispensary, the patients ranking all the way from officials to beggars. Over a hundred visits have been made in private families. Over two hundred and fifty major and minor operations have been performed and sixty-nine in-patients treated.

Two itinerating trips have been made in the country and medicines dispensed to over six hundred people. Patients have come from two hundred miles away, and the hospital has been advertised still further. We believe that this work has already done good, and we trust that, with our increased facilities, the coming year will be a still greater blessing to the people spiritually and physically.

#### COLLECTIONS.

The collections show a good increase over last year. The item under self-support is given entirely by the membership, and is for the partial support of a native preacher. The other collections include gifts by the missionaries, and consist of weekly collections for current expenses, Sabbath-school collections, and communion collections for the poor. We have not taken any missionary collection, but hope to make a beginning during the coming year. Although nothing is reported under this head, members of the mission have contributed about \$300 for the work in the field during the year.

#### PREACHING, ETC.

The Sabbath service and social meetings have had a large and increasing attendance. Twenty women have been in attendance on two weekly classes and are all learning to read the Scriptures. A Sabbath-school has been organized and has become an important part of our work.

There has been a uniformly large attendance on the daily preaching at the street chapel. From fifteen to twenty thousand would be a moderate estimate of the number who hear the word there in a single year. For several hours each day an average of at least three speakers take turns in addressing a well-filled room. Many hear but once, and then are lost in the stream of humanity which ever flows past its doors. Others hear again, but without becoming absolutely identified with us. While the fruits are not what we could hope, yet there is evidence that we are daily becoming better and more favorably known. We believe in this work, even though the results are for a time largely unseen. We believe it is having a leavening effect on the prejudiced and superstitious masses. Let the Church be patient if her missionaries do much work whose full value the future only can fully disclose. Can any desire fruit more earnestly than those who bear the heat and the burden? Be patient. The results are as sure as God's immutable promises. Brethren, pray for us.

## APPOINTMENTS FOR 1891-92.

SPENCER LEWIS, *Superintendent.*

*Chung-king* : Tai Gia Hong, Spencer Lewis and Stacy A. Smith. *Principal Boys' Boarding and Day Schools*, Spencer Lewis. *Assistant Boys' Boarding and Day Schools*, Stacy A. Smith. *Girls' School and Woman's Work*, Esther B. Lewis. *Medical Work*, J. H. McCartney, H. L. Canright. *Chen-tu*, H. Olin Cady.

## STATISTICS.

*Chung-king* : Foreign missionaries, 4 ; assistant missionaries, 3 ; native unordained preachers, 4 ; native teachers, 3 ; members, 23 ; probationers, 32 ; average attendance on Sunday worship, 200 ; conversions during the year, 18 ; adults baptized, 8 ; number of high-schools, 1 ; teacher, 1 ; pupils, 10 ; number of day-schools, 2 ; number of day scholars, 50 ; number of Sabbath-schools, 1 ; Sabbath scholars, 100 ; number of orphans, 5 ; number of halls and other rented places of worship 2 ; number of churches and chapels, 1 ; estimated value, \$2,500 ; number of parsonages or "homes," 3 ; estimated value of parsonages or "homes," \$7,000 ; total value of other real estate, \$5,500 ; collected for self-support, \$27.85 ; contributed for other local purposes, \$23.

*Chen-tu* : Foreign missionary, 1 ; native ordained preacher, 1.

## GERMANY.

Commenced in 1849.

Organized as a Conference in 1856.

### BISHOP WALDEN HAS EPISCOPAL SUPERVISION.

THE Conference was held in Heilbronn, June 17-22, 1891. Bishop Walden presided. The work of the year was thoroughly examined, and the mission was found to be in a very prosperous and encouraging condition.

The Rev. A. Sulzberger, who has translated from the German most of the reports of presiding elders, wrote under date of October 12, 1891 :

By the statistics you will see that we have an increase in membership and in contributions. Our work in Germany is going on, though many occurrences awakened by our activity render difficult our advance.

Our Mission Institute is the best help in promoting the success of our mission. About one hundred and fifty have graduated from it and are engaged in our missions here and abroad.

I was greatly pleased to be able to do something for our mission in China by instructing two young men from that country. I wish to have some more pupils from our foreign mission fields. There is a still greater work to be done in our land than ever before ; but it is an undeniable fact that Methodism is to-day in Germany and Switzerland a powerful and recognized factor to awaken earnest Christian life among our people, and by its pure doctrine and its living faith in the Holy Scriptures Methodism will be in the next great crisis a stronghold of powerful aid for the different evangelical denominations.

Our prospects are very encouraging, and the support of the Swiss and German missions by our Missionary Society yields a rich harvest and blessed fruits, of which a multitude will praise the Lord in eternity.

I am happy to learn by our periodicals that the sum apportioned to be collected for the Missionary Society of our Church has been paid by our churches.

### BERLIN DISTRICT, Rev. G. Hempel, P.E.

The Lord has given our district a blessed and successful year. The work shows a steady and healthful growth not only in membership, but also in finances. In the past year there were added 507 probationers, and we have had a net increase of 85 probationers and 125 members in full connection, in all 210. The collections amounted to 62,929 marks, a gain over the preceding year of 14,200 marks.

In *Berlin* we have three congregations—namely, Elim, Immanuel, and

Salem, with three preachers. The work in this great city is very prosperous. The attendance is constantly increasing. Last year there were 155 conversions and 138 joined the church. Our preachers are earnest and diligent in their work, and are heartily supported by the members of their congregations. The young men's associations as well as the young women's associations do a good work, distributing tracts, extending invitations to the church services, visiting the sick, and helping the poor. The services of the young men's association of the Salem congregation, with fifty members, were visited by more than five hundred strangers. We only regret that we have not means enough to extend our work more rapidly in this city so poorly supplied with churches. The doors are open to us.

In *Neu-Ruppin*, near Berlin, we have only a small membership; but there also were several souls converted last year.

In *Colberg* and in *Belgard-Coeslin*, Pomerania, we had good success last year; a great number of souls were converted. From Belgard we have extended our work to Stettin, a city of one hundred and sixteen thousand inhabitants. We have rented a hall and will soon have a regular preacher there.

In *Thuringia*, comprising the circuits of *Schleiz*, *Saalfeld*, *Langenwetzendorf*, and *Greiz-Gera*, the work is making satisfactory progress. We have here a good number of old, true, and tried members. In Saalfeld we had a revival in which a number of souls were converted, and twenty were added to the church.

In the *Kingdom of Saxony* we are doing a good and successful work. At almost all points we have had conversions throughout the year. Our people have a good degree of missionary spirit, and contribute very liberally of their means, although just now business is not prosperous.

In *Planen* we have a good and constantly growing membership which does much for the support of the work. As the present chapel is not large enough to accommodate the people, a lot well situated in the best part of the city has been bought, and some two weeks ago the cornerstone of a new and larger chapel was laid. In Reichenbach, Planen Circuit, a beautiful new chapel with seating capacity for five hundred persons has been erected. Our members here, although mostly poor, raised last year for this purpose 9,378 marks, altogether 13,334 marks.

In *Chemnitz*, the great manufacturing city, we have a good and promising work. Our members are filled with missionary zeal. But we should have there a suitable property, for our rented hall has a very low ceiling and is in every way unsatisfactory. On this circuit more than seventy souls were converted last year, and fifty-six members added to the church.

In *Zschopau Circuit*, which was set off at the last Conference from Chemnitz Circuit, we have very much trouble with the police, or rather with the pastors of the State Church, who urge on the police against us. As is well known, our work in Saxony is subjected to certain legal restrictions, and in several places, especially in Zschopau, chiefly through the agency of the pastors of the State Church, various regulations are arbitrarily directed against us. An "amtshauptmann" (chief official) said



to one of our preachers: "You shall not extend your work in Saxony!" It may be difficult for our friends in America to comprehend that we meet such hinderances and persecutions here in the land of the Reformation. But it is so, and the proud Lutheran State Church is as intolerant toward us as the Catholic Church could ever be. We could write a long chapter in regard to these matters, but we will only hint at a few facts.

In Zschopan, last winter, our preacher, H. Boettger, held for a week evangelical meetings, which were largely attended. He was arraigned and condemned to a fine of 26½ marks, because several young persons fourteen to eighteen years of age, and several children in the company of their parents, who had not formally severed their connection with the State Church, attended these meetings and were not sent home by the pastor. Because our brother thought himself in the right and would not pay the fine, he was put in the Zschopan jail for five days—from the 15th to the 20th of September, 1891—and that, too, in a cell for common criminals, which was not only very small, but also so dark that our brother could not even read. After this he received further notice of a fine to the amount of 50 marks because he had read our liturgy at the grave of a member of our church. Despite all this the work goes on very successfully. In the last three months seventeen probationers have been received, and we must give Brother Boettger an assistant in order that he may not be overburdened.

In *Schneeberg*, near Zschopan, we have had likewise good success. In the past year fifty persons were converted, and forty-six were added to the church in spite of the fact that here, also, we meet many difficulties. The preacher, E. Schmidt, has been repeatedly fined.

*Schwarzenberg* had a very good year. Sixty-five or more persons were converted and fifty-nine joined the church. On this circuit a chapel has been built this year by several brethren and will be dedicated in a few days. Here, also, we have much trouble with the police. Our preacher, E. Wunderlich, has been often brought into court, and recently has been fined 50 marks because more people were present in our capacious hall than the police allowed.

In *Werdan* no hinderances are put in our way. The membership is increasing, and contemplates erecting a chapel upon a building-spot already presented to it.

In *Leipzig* we have the youngest congregation in our Conference. For a year past the preacher from Zeitz came here every week to hold services. But at the last Conference Bishop Walden appointed pastor E. Amer to this charge. The work is very promising and divine services are well attended. Ten persons have joined the church on probation.

In *Zeitz* we have a good and very interesting membership, to which both common laborers and people from the best classes belong, all working and praying together for the coming of the kingdom of God.

In *Zwickau* we have a flourishing work. The membership is well organized, and is growing and gaining in influence. Last year more than ninety persons were converted, and seventy-four joined the church.

## BREMEN DISTRICT, Rev. F. Eilers, P.E.

The past year was not only a time of hard work, but also of great blessing. Besides the spiritual development of the work we have an increase of members. The district includes sixteen circuits.

At *Aurich Circuit*, with two stations, the regular services, class-meetings, and prayer-meeting were well attended. Increase, seven members.

*Bielefeld* is a promising field. The preacher has to do double work at present; with one hand he has a chapel to build, and with the other the Lord's battle to fight. We have an increase of twelve members, and two new stations have been taken up recently.

By dividing *Bremen Circuit* into Bremen and Vegesack we had a loss of twenty-one full members and nine probationers. This loss of members is not yet made up.

In *Bremerhaven*, the door through which the nations are emigrating and immigrating, we have to sow the seed of the word in hope. Usually the number of those who are going away is greater than that of those who are remaining. The work of Christian love to invite most ungodly people from the streets of the town, to treat them on Sunday evening with tea and bread and butter, and to preach to them the Gospel is continued by the preacher and the members of our church, waiting and praying in faith for good success.

At *Delmenhorst and Neerstedt* we have good and faithful communities. During the last year young and old people have been converted at these places. Increase, eight probationers, and seven were received in full connection.

Our society on the *Dornum Circuit* is also in a prosperous condition. The faithful labor of our preacher there has been richly blessed with a deeper work of grace in the hearts of the Lord's children, leading them to a higher Christian experience.

The work of the *Edeweicht Circuit* is advancing and souls have been converted.

Our mission on the *Circuit of Flensburg* entitles us to good hope for the future. We had here also conversions during the year.

At *Hamburg* our field of labor is broadening more and more. Forty-four probationers, and thirty-two members were admitted into full connection. The Sunday-school and the different societies are flourishing.

In *Kiel* our preacher worked with great zeal and courage in spite of great hinderances. A deaconess does effective labor among the poor and the fallen women.

In regard to *Rhanderfehn* and *Leer* we hope for better times.

On the *Neuschoo Circuit* our mission has a quiet but sure development. Souls were converted and joined the church.

The success on the *Circuit of Oldenburg* should have been larger in proportion to the labor done in this field, but owing to various difficulties the advance was not great.

In the town of *Osnabruck* we are trying to lay a good foundation for

the future. At Metten and Lengerich, two stations of this circuit, our endeavors are not in vain. The work is growing slowly but steadily.

At *Vegesack*, where one of our preachers is stationed, we wait for greater success.

In *Wilhelmshaven*, the largest marine harbor of Germany, we have a large field and a good prospect for the future. The society on this circuit is faithful and very active.

Our brethren give great attention to the Sunday-schools and to the different societies on the whole district. They cultivate this important work of the mission with great zeal and energy.

#### FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN DISTRICT, Rev. E. Gebhardt, P.E.

By the arrangement of our venerable Bishop Walden at our last Annual Conference some circuits of the Karlsruhe District were united with the Stuttgart District, in order to combine the District of Frankfurt with that of Karlsruhe, called now Frankfurt District.

By the Lord's grace we are able to give an encouraging report of this district.

*Bischweiler, Alsace.* In one of the chief places of the circuit the liberal brethren intend either to build or rent a suitable hall, for which they have already collected a considerable sum.

*Cassel-Gottingen.* The work here is in a prosperous condition. We have well attended congregations; nearly all the members of our church are engaged in one of the different branches of the mission work. One hundred and twenty-five thousand pages of tracts have been distributed in this way during the year, and our Young Men's Christian Association (all Methodists) is doing good service in the temperance cause. Thirty persons united with our church as probationers, and thirty-six were received in full connection. The annual contributions increased 500 marks and the chapel debt decreased 900 marks.

Our small society at Gottingen has had to endure hard tribulations, caused by the endeavors of Lutheran pastors to destroy our work here. At the last Conference a young man was appointed for Gottingen and Munden. He is working there courageously, and already is able to report some success.

At *Dillenburg* we had a very good year on account of the conversion of many souls, of whom fifteen have been admitted as probationers, and eighteen in full connection. In *Wetzlar*, an industrious town near Dillenburg, a new field has been opened for our mission among the Lutheran and Catholic population. By the conversion of several souls we laid here the foundation for a society. Our chapel debt at Dillenburg is now paid by a legacy.

*Frankfurt-on-Main.* Besides this large city we have on this circuit some other stations. Our services are well attended, and also the Sunday-schools. Many souls have been converted during the past year; thirty were admitted as probationers, and thirty-three in full connection. Our members are very active in the mission work. Thirty thousand pages of tracts have

been distributed by them. As soon as we can secure means it is our intention to occupy another quarter of the town. Our Bible-woman made fifteen hundred visits in the homes of the rich and poor. By the donations of the rich she was enabled to sustain many poor families. *Eben-ezer*, our home for old people, would be filled if all the applications could be accepted.

The work of our *Bethanien-Verein* is improving every year. The demands for the service of the sisters (nurses) are greater than we can meet.

Our *Martin Mission Institute* had a prosperous, blessed year. All the room of the building is now occupied by our twenty-six students. The Lord awakens every year in Germany and Switzerland a good number of young men who are willing to sacrifice their lives to the great cause of our mission among the thousands of unconverted people in these lands. Our two Chinese brethren are progressing nicely. We have also two students, one of Marietta, O., and one of Berlin, who are receiving instruction in our school. Our highest aim is to lead our scholars to a well founded knowledge of biblical truth, to be able one day to preach the fullness of grace, and to stand firmly in the great fight for the pure and unaltered doctrine of salvation by faith in the atonement of Christ.

Our members are annually sustaining our institution in a generous manner. A good opportunity was offered us to buy an adjoining house and lot for a moderate price. This acquisition gives room enough to enlarge the school building as soon as it is necessary. We expect that our dear brother Dr. Clark by his present visit to the United States will augment the interest for our seminary in such a degree that with the help of our friends there the whole sum for the new property can soon be paid.

*Hanau.* Though we are not able to report visible progress in this circuit, the small congregation looks in faith into the future with expectation of a successful year.

*Kreuznach Mandel, Rhine, Prussia.* To the twelve stations a new one has been added during the year, namely, Munster, an industrious place of mineral springs. Our services on this district are in most places well attended and our members are faithful Methodists. Twenty souls found the Lord during the past year. Our preacher has good hope for a still greater success.

*Bonn.* Since last Conference this important place has been taken up; the beginning has been very encouraging. The door was opened for our mission here by Brother Pfaunkuchen, a member of our church at San Francisco, Cal., who visited Bonn last summer.

*Lahr, Baden.* Our expectations last year concerning the increase of members have not been fulfilled. The preacher in charge is, however, of good cheer, and trusts in the Lord that his right hand will be exalted, and does valiantly. In financial matters the society is doing well.

*Marburg Giessen.* On this circuit the mission field is very extended. In spite of many difficulties our brother works with great zeal and energy, and not without success. At Marburg, the old university town, he had



after seeking a long time the encouragement of securing a suitable hall from the municipality of the town. Our members are faithful and active.

*Pforzheim-Neuenburg.* In our society at Pforzheim, whose members are mostly from the working classes of this place of gold manufactories, we had many changes; on which account, notwithstanding many conversions, we had only an increase of nine members.

*Kaiserslautern.* Last year our work here made good progress. At different places we had revivals, the result of which is an increase of eight probationers and fifteen full members. Of the chapel debt 1,400 marks were paid. The different societies, especially among the youth, are flourishing.

*Karlsruhe* had also a real increase of eleven full members. The society is in a healthy spiritual and financial condition. A temperance society is very active in promoting that blessed work.

*Kurtlingen, Wurtemberg.* Though we have this year no numerical progress to record, the work of grace among the members is growing. Besides the help of our Mission Board, the society contributed a good sum to decrease the chapel debt.

*Pirmasenz* rejoiced in a remarkable revival by which we have an increase of seventeen members. The stopping of business and insolvencies in this place of manufactories, and besides this the democratic element, exercise a bad and depressing influence on the population. But our society which had to go through this time of many tribulations proved itself faithful and constant.

*Limmern, Rhein-Prussia.* The labor on this extended circuit was performed with great zeal and self-denial, and was blessed by the conversion of souls. The people in this country are very slow in joining another Church, or we would have almost doubled the number of members; but once having become members they are all the more firm.

*Speyer-Mannheim.* Besides these two towns and several other stations, the populous town of *Ludwigshaven*, Rhein-Bavaria, and the old university town of *Heidelberg* belong to this extended field, on which only two preachers are stationed. We are enabled to report on this circuit a rich harvest of souls, as our society has an increase of forty-one members and probationers. At *Speyer* the brethren are building a chapel of which we were in great need. We hope that the building will be under roof before winter.

*Strassburg, Alsace.* We have here a beautiful work and also a very suitable church property which represents a value of 113,000 marks. By the help of our members and friends from abroad we were able to pay up to July 32,840 marks of the chapel debt. Besides a suitable preacher's dwelling and spacious halls for our services, there are in the building rooms to let. By this arrangement our church property is a great help for our mission here. In spite of the debt we are better off than before, when we had to pay high rents for inconvenient localities. We hope by the efforts of our members to reduce annually the debt of the chapel building.



*Wiesbaden-Friedrichsdorf.* The faithful labor and the seed sown with tears of preceding years were blessed the past year with a joyful harvest. Last winter we had a good revival, especially on the stations upon the Taunus. Though we had a loss of twenty-six members by death and departure, we still have an increase of twenty members.

STUTTGART DISTRICT, Rev. C. Dietrich, P.E.

This district, formerly named Wurtemberg District, includes twenty-two circuits since last Conference, eighteen in the kingdom of Wurtemberg and four in the kingdom of Bavaria, by the arrangement of our venerable Bishop Walden. This district is now enlarged by the circuits of Altenstaig, Calw, Freudenstadt, and Nagold.

All in all we had a good year. The gracious Lord helped us through many fights to joyful victory, and blessed his servants with good success in their labors. Many souls have been converted, and many of his happy children were gathered as fruits of the mission-field of the Methodist Episcopal Church into the eternal home.

In *Wurtemberg* we had on nearly every circuit blessed revivals; the Gospel of Christ revealed its power in awakening sinners and in becoming a balsam for the wounded souls. Of those who found the Lord in our meetings not all united with our Church. For instance, on the circuit of *Varhuigen*, where Brother Puklitsch is stationed, thirty persons have been converted, but only half of them wished to join our Church. This is the case also in other places.

On the circuit of *Heimsheim* our Brother Burkhardt had a good time; thirty-five persons came to a new life. On August 9, at *Weissach*, one of the chief places on the circuit, we dedicated a new chapel, the value of which is 6,000 marks. Of this sum two thirds is already paid by contributions of our members.

In *Bavaria* the progress of our mission is still slow; however, we overcome more and more the hinderances and prejudices, and are gaining gradually more influence and recognition. The labor of our brethren in this Catholic land is blessed by the conversion of souls who become a joy to us by their piety. They love the Lord, our Church, and its discipline. They are willing to sustain the mission in a noble manner. For instance, each member of *Bayreuth* contributes annually for our church 18 marks, and at *Schweinfurt* they pay per member as much as 34 marks.

In *Nurnberg* we have had our services in the hall of Tetzl for many years. As the house is sold now, we have to leave it. We can scarcely find another suitable locality, and are thus in great need. It would be necessary to buy a house or to build a chapel, but our chapel fund is too little and we are afraid to augment our debts.

In *Ausbach* we are still under the same embarrassment concerning the locality for our services. The room we have now is too small and badly situated. In spite of all the endeavors of our preacher he could not find a better one. Trusting to the Lord, we shall continue to pray and to labor for the coming of his kingdom.

# STATISTICS OF GERMANY.

## CIRCUIT OR STATION.

	Foreign Miss.	Native Ord.	Native Unord.	Other Helpers.	Members.	Probationers.	Adherents.	Average Att.	Conversions	Adults Bapt.	Children Bapt.	No. of Theo.	No. of Stud.	No. of Sabbath.	No. of Orphan.	No. of Churches and Chapels.	Estimated Value of Churches and Chapels.	No. of Hall or treated Places.	Parsonages, or Homes.	Estimated Value of Parsonages, or Homes.	Value of Orphanages, Schools, Hospitals, Book Rooms, etc.	Debt on Real Estate.	Collected for Missionary Society.	Collected for other Benevolent Societies.	Collected for Self-support.	Collected for Church Building and Repairing.	Contributed for other Local Purposes.	
<i>Bremen District.</i>																												
Aurich .....	1	1	1	1	47	12	15	60	...	...	...	2	...	8	85	1	17,250	1	1,600	...	21	2,950	...	49	270	618	592	810
Bielefeld .....	1	1	1	1	105	22	130	130	...	...	...	7	...	8	90	1	1,600	1	1,600	...	100	1,065	...	259	618	1,065	592	1,065
Bremen .....	2	2	2	2	130	17	25	150	...	...	...	10	...	8	400	1	49,400	1	49,400	...	76	376	...	376	402	1,065	592	1,065
Bremerhaven .....	1	1	1	1	94	15	15	120	...	...	...	7	...	4	190	2	32,200	2	32,200	...	95	217	...	217	332	1,117	592	1,117
Delmenhorst .....	1	1	1	1	196	24	20	210	...	...	...	6	...	7	210	2	16,200	2	16,200	...	87	217	...	217	332	1,117	592	1,117
Dornum .....	1	1	1	1	87	...	10	90	...	...	...	8	...	4	75	2	39,700	2	39,700	...	24	450	...	24	332	1,117	592	1,117
Edewecht .....	1	1	1	1	93	6	10	100	...	...	...	2	...	4	170	2	10,880	2	10,880	...	73	293	...	73	332	1,117	592	1,117
Flensburg .....	1	1	1	1	93	21	12	120	...	...	...	12	...	4	200	1	56,650	1	56,650	...	107	46,754	...	107	332	1,117	592	1,117
Hamburg .....	1	1	1	1	203	21	40	250	...	...	...	12	...	4	800	1	56,650	1	56,650	...	13	1,993	...	13	332	1,117	592	1,117
Kiel .....	1	1	1	1	30	6	10	50	...	...	...	8	...	1	56	1	6,570	1	6,570	...	13	1,993	...	13	332	1,117	592	1,117
Leer und Rhaderfenn .....	1	1	1	1	47	17	60	120	...	...	...	8	...	3	70	1	6,570	1	6,570	...	45	2,400	...	45	332	1,117	592	1,117
Nenschoo .....	1	1	1	1	128	32	20	160	...	...	...	6	...	2	80	2	9,710	2	9,710	...	25	2,400	...	25	332	1,117	592	1,117
Oldenburg .....	2	2	2	2	126	9	15	130	...	...	...	6	...	2	80	1	17,400	1	17,400	...	16	200	...	16	332	1,117	592	1,117
Osnabrück (Weiten) .....	1	1	1	1	46	5	20	60	...	...	...	2	...	4	50	1	4,000	1	4,000	...	28	1,400	...	28	332	1,117	592	1,117
Vegesack .....	1	1	1	1	15	1	10	30	...	...	...	2	...	8	180	1	6,650	1	6,650	...	18	1,400	...	18	332	1,117	592	1,117
Wilhelmshaven .....	1	1	1	1	83	8	40	75	...	...	...	4	...	2	160	...	...	...	...	...	18	1,400	...	18	332	1,117	592	1,117
<i>Berlin District.</i>																												
Berlin: Elim .....	1	1	1	1	95	42	80	875	40	...	...	9	...	2	900	1	75,000	1	75,000	...	60	48,100	...	60	610	1,988	592	1,988
Immanuel .....	1	1	1	1	114	35	90	400	60	...	...	7	...	4	850	1	105,000	1	105,000	...	60	92,500	...	60	610	1,988	592	1,988
Salem .....	1	1	1	1	133	63	100	400	25	...	...	4	...	3	925	2	250,000	2	250,000	...	100	51,000	...	100	610	1,988	592	1,988
Chemnitz .....	2	2	2	2	157	500	650	1,000	...	...	...	17	...	8	175	2	18,000	2	18,000	...	193	4,700	...	193	610	1,988	592	1,988
Colberg .....	1	1	1	1	124	12	100	200	8	...	...	8	...	2	140	1	16,450	1	16,450	...	24	5,675	...	24	610	1,988	592	1,988
Coslin-Belgard .....	1	1	1	1	52	29	120	150	10	...	...	8	...	2	70	1	12,500	1	12,500	...	100	3,085	...	100	610	1,988	592	1,988
Gretz .....	1	1	1	1	133	71	80	380	12	...	...	5	...	4	90	2	16,000	2	16,000	...	20	3,085	...	20	610	1,988	592	1,988
Langenwetzendorf .....	1	1	1	1	179	85	130	800	6	...	...	8	...	3	90	2	16,000	2	16,000	...	20	3,085	...	20	610	1,988	592	1,988
Leipsic .....	1	1	1	1	9	7	70	60	4	...	...	1	...	2	30	1	...	1	...	...	20	3,085	...	20	610	1,988	592	1,988
Neu-Ruppin .....	1	1	1	1	47	11	30	100	7	...	...	1	...	2	90	8	72,400	8	72,400	...	123	43,445	...	123	610	1,988	592	1,988
Plauen .....	1	1	1	1	141	105	200	550	10	...	...	11	...	4	270	1	72,400	1	72,400	...	123	43,445	...	123	610	1,988	592	1,988
Saalfeld .....	1	1	1	1	54	21	50	100	18	...	...	7	...	4	70	2	6,000	2	6,000	...	20	1,600	...	20	610	1,988	592	1,988
Schleitz .....	1	1	1	1	30	6	50	150	7	...	...	2	...	3	200	1	21,600	1	21,600	...	190	7,250	...	190	610	1,988	592	1,988
Schneeberg .....	1	1	1	1	128	172	250	550	50	...	...	13	...	8	200	1	21,600	1	21,600	...	78	7,250	...	78	610	1,988	592	1,988
Schwarzenberg .....	1	1	1	1	101	116	300	600	65	...	...	6	...	5	210	1	21,600	1	21,600	...	78	7,250	...	78	610	1,988	592	1,988
Schwarzwald .....	1	1	1	1	81	82	160	350	9	...	...	2	...	6	210	1	21,600	1	21,600	...	60	41,814	...	60	610	1,988	592	1,988
Weitz .....	1	1	1	1	56	20	40	120	5	...	...	8	...	5	210	1	21,600	1	21,600	...	171	41,814	...	171	610	1,988	592	1,988
Zwickau .....	1	1	1	1	213	260	500	1,000	90	...	...	9	...	5	400	1	70,000	1	70,000	...	171	41,814	...	171	610	1,988	592	1,988
<i>Frankfurt-am Main Dist.</i>																												
Bismarck .....	1	1	1	1	87	6	40	120	2	...	...	2	...	2	80	1	4,940	1	4,940	...	42	800	...	42	587	1,988	592	1,988
Blenzweiler .....	1	1	1	1	133	47	70	250	80	...	...	9	...	4	150	1	84,400	1	84,400	...	77	14,070	...	77	587	1,988	592	1,988
Cassel-Göttingen .....	1	1	1	1	94	15	50	150	14	...	...	14	...	4	130	1	10,500	1	10,500	...	42	1,050	...	42	587	1,988	592	1,988
Dillenburger .....	1	1	1	1	94	15	50	150	14	...	...	14	...	4	130	1	10,500	1	10,500	...	42	1,050	...	42	587	1,988	592	1,988

Frankfurt-am-Main.....	1	3	12	215	38	229	880	26	3	1	8	26	4	210	1	120,000	15	1	The value of Passengers and	224,000	98,480	130	653	1,070	2,015
Hannu.....	1	1	1	8	128	70	100	850	37	10	2	170	8	58	1	56,920	10	1	.....	.....	18,140	51	866	587	250
Kaiserslautern-Wolfstein.....	2	1	1	141	89	100	250	20	134	6	60	220	10	300	1	41,540	8	1	.....	.....	22,310	108	811	1,217	1,152
Karlsruhe.....	1	1	1	134	6	60	220	18	1	1	1	1	7	195	1	18,900	3	1	.....	.....	6,900	70	257	655	1,361
Knitlingen.....	1	1	1	4	122	22	60	180	1	2	2	1	10	180	2	14,050	10	2	.....	.....	5,750	150	883	1,555	645
Lahr.....	1	1	1	35	4	80	80	2	1	1	1	1	1	30	1	13,500	2	1	.....	.....	5,750	77	863	250	503
Marburg Gießen.....	1	1	1	41	247	79	200	550	40	1	5	1	2	430	1	2,870	1	1	.....	.....	5,100	26	202	218	280
Pforzheim-Neuenburg.....	1	1	1	6	247	79	200	550	40	1	5	1	6	430	1	31,950	8	1	.....	.....	9,700	85	756	2,217	1,266
Prüm.....	1	1	1	8	121	26	50	160	28	11	6	1	3	170	1	84,700	4	1	.....	.....	9,700	80	670	1,682	588
Simmern.....	1	1	1	117	8	50	200	1	1	6	1	1	7	155	1	6,010	12	1	.....	.....	.....	80	239	1,055	445
Speyer-Mannheim.....	1	1	1	151	57	80	250	46	8	2	2	1	5	210	1	94,270	6	1	.....	.....	.....	114	625	1,956	2,005
Strassburg i. Els.....	1	1	1	137	88	100	250	26	2	2	2	1	6	300	2	118,970	8	1	.....	.....	7,550	50	640	1,137	2,718
Wiesbaden Friedrichsdorf.....	1	1	1	130	94	40	100	34	4	6	100	1	6	100	1	8,000	5	1	.....	.....	455	145	675	2,100	1,264
<i>Stuttgart District.</i>																									
Altenstadt.....	1	1	1	74	25	100	280	15	1	1	1	1	6	180	2	18,774	7	1	.....	.....	8,500	65	158	454	746
Ansbach.....	1	1	1	22	11	20	120	8	1	1	1	1	1	10	1	1,300	5	1	.....	.....	.....	13	87	159	226
Bayreuth.....	1	1	1	11	8	80	140	8	2	2	2	2	2	25	1	520	4	1	.....	.....	.....	5	68	81	103
Beitheim.....	1	1	1	170	27	180	750	20	4	5	5	5	5	250	2	14,502	14	1	.....	.....	746	117	339	883	600
Beitheim.....	1	1	1	170	27	180	750	20	4	5	5	5	5	250	2	14,502	14	1	.....	.....	1,000	112	377	904	20
Beitheim.....	1	1	1	170	27	180	750	20	4	5	5	5	5	250	2	14,502	14	1	.....	.....	8375	120	1568	1,232	1,437
Calw.....	1	1	1	6	190	10	120	400	10	2	1	1	1	130	3	98,049	9	1	.....	.....	.....	50	294	910	19
Ehingen.....	1	1	1	8	114	15	60	310	11	1	1	1	1	204	1	9,200	6	1	.....	.....	9,325	85	251	773	417
Freudenstadt.....	1	1	1	5	147	53	100	330	25	10	10	10	10	535	1	96,000	10	1	.....	.....	37,446	179	1,069	1,958	1,581
Heilbronn and Sinheim.....	1	1	1	2	384	59	200	1,150	20	2	2	2	2	250	2	101,831	21	1	.....	.....	4,958	50	347	1,276	8,189
Heilbronn.....	1	1	1	6	197	37	100	540	35	4	4	4	4	120	1	17,500	9	1	.....	.....	2,200	90	454	1,192	80
Herrnberg.....	1	1	1	4	184	9	60	220	5	1	1	1	1	125	1	42,904	6	1	.....	.....	5,000	117	406	1,431	305
Ludwigsburg.....	1	1	1	6	129	20	60	360	8	1	1	1	1	125	1	42,904	6	1	.....	.....	5,000	117	406	1,431	305
Marbach.....	1	1	1	14	170	19	30	800	5	8	8	8	8	390	1	18,605	10	1	.....	.....	4,600	53	198	1,476	256
Nagold.....	1	1	1	89	25	100	250	20	1	1	1	1	1	170	1	18,450	6	1	.....	.....	.....	25	211	404	144
Nürnberg.....	1	1	1	48	35	80	150	18	1	1	1	1	1	80	1	6,104	3	1	.....	.....	5,000	20	150	681	188
Oehringen.....	1	1	1	94	30	150	400	20	1	1	1	1	1	80	1	92,981	11	1	.....	.....	1,125	60	367	576	50
Ottmarshausen.....	1	1	1	107	36	50	350	19	1	1	1	1	1	180	2	10,800	7	1	.....	.....	.....	18	126	126	107
Schweinfurt.....	1	1	1	6	14	15	60	8	1	1	1	1	1	10	1	962	3	1	.....	.....	.....	18	126	126	107
Sindelfingen.....	1	1	1	61	14	40	260	8	1	1	1	1	1	70	1	1,140	5	1	.....	.....	.....	100	406	306	346
Stuttgart.....	2	1	1	103	14	60	200	5	8	200	1	1	1	140	1	4,600	4	1	.....	.....	6,695	70	395	1,504	1,376
Vaihingen.....	1	1	1	191	42	120	400	30	8	250	1	1	1	250	1	24,680	16	1	.....	.....	.....	52	197	402	692
Weinsberg.....	1	1	1	73	15	100	250	10	1	1	1	1	1	160	1	13,000	9	1	.....	.....	5,740	52	197	402	743

# RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

Bremen District.....	14	2	83	1,484	292	342	1,855	...	74	...	60	2,246	17	258,160	13	...	...	...	...	89,033	760	8,560	9,865	2,875	9,789
Berlin District.....	17	4	50	2,004	1,214	2,550	6,415	546	25	58	58	2,543	16	662,950	50	18	...	...	...	290,809	1,448	8,606	17,221	13,550	20,415
Frankfurt-am-Main Dist.....	1	17	9	43	2,025	1,830	8,050	324	61	1	8	26	15	542,760	118	18	...	...	...	255,385	1,390	7,814	16,749	10,218	21,644
Stuttgart District.....	19	8	99	2,537	534	1,715	7,620	298	44	...	99	3,569	25	415,162	186	1	...	...	...	93,783	1,514	8,054	13,101	9,173	14,616
Total.....	1	67	23	8,100	2,438	6,297	19,440	1,168	274	1	8	26	292	11,631	5	76	1,879,032	862	21	740,560	5,170	28,036	60,438	85,919	66,416
*Last year.....	1	64	15	7,791	2,440	6,382	19,184	1,152	248	1	8	27	256	11,922	1	77	1,992,455	845	30	738,259	5,088	16,996	69,789	15,983	56,547

\* Last year; Native preachers, 2; foreign teachers, 1.

## SWITZERLAND.

Commenced in 1856.

Organized as a Conference in 1883

BISHOP VINCENT HAS EPISCOPAL SUPERVISION.

BERNE DISTRICT, Rev. L. Peter, P.E.

It is now thirty-five years since the Methodist Episcopal Church commenced its work in Switzerland. We have at present in our Conference 32 preachers, 6,342 members in full connection and on trial, and 199 Sunday-schools, with 14,127 children; all collections the past year, 180,816 francs, or \$5.50 per member. Many thousand members have gone to their heavenly home or found a settlement in another part of this earth in these years. Besides this Methodism has in our country aroused sleeping Churches and people to activity. The most earnest Christian life in the national Church and other religious associations has received its impulse from Methodism. God be praised!

Our membership have a deep desire to be holy and entirely consecrated to the Lord. On all the circuits our people love the church, and attend class-meeting and other meetings regularly. They consider these means of grace a great privilege. All the ministers on the district are faithful and self-denying men. They are seeking after holiness by faith, and preaching this doctrine. The labor of our preachers is hard and attended by many difficulties. Their salaries are very small—too small, indeed, at this present time. They generally preach three and often four times on Sunday, and also every evening in the week. The circuits consist of from four to eighteen appointments. They must take care of the Sunday-schools and the pastoral work. It is necessary that we have more chapels in Switzerland. All the denominations and Churches to which we have given the impulse, at present having more money than we possess, keep ahead of us in this matter. We cannot succeed unless we follow their example and build chapels. In about six principal stations we should have houses of God at once. It is true the Missionary Society has done very well for the work in Switzerland; we are very thankful, but we need more—more for the work, more for the debts, more for chapel building. Our people are generally poor, and they will be yet poorer through the McKinley bill; many kinds of business are injured, and our people have hardly enough for support. We cannot expect more from them, rather less in future. Brethren, help the Methodist Church in your sister republic!

*Basel Circuit* had a good year. Many souls have been converted and found full salvation in the blood of the Lamb. The bishop sent two preachers to this place at the last Conference.



*Bern, Geneva, and Langnau*, have not made great progress. The field there is very hard, but preachers and members are faithful and do all they can. We hope that it will be awakened into new life in a short time.

*Biel* has been a large circuit of eighteen stations the past year. We wished to make three circuits from this field, but we have not had preachers enough; therefore, we divided the circuit into two parts—*Herzogenbuchsee Circuit*, with ten preaching-places, and *Biel*, with eight. Many conversions took place at different stations, and we know that in the future the Lord will do great things on both of these circuits. *Herzogenbuchsee* needs a chapel, but we cannot build without money. God help us to get it!

*La Chaux de Fonds* has had a good year. The heart of the membership in this place consists of aged and holy Methodists. It is natural that the young people who unite with the church should form themselves according to the core. Therefore, we have a good church here; it is living, and children will be born as the dew from the aurora.

In *Lausanne* we had a great revival last winter. The preacher in charge issued printed cards of invitation for revival meetings, and the members, two and two together, went into all the houses in Lausanne and dealt them out. The people came to our services, and a large number were converted and united with the church.

*Lenzburg*, in the Canton of Aargau, is a large field, with fourteen preaching-places. We were also obliged to make two circuits of it. The principal city of the canton, with three stations, is called the circuit of *Aargau*; and the other, *Lenzburg*, has yet ten places. The Church grows up there in every part.

The circuit of *Liesdal* has twelve stations. The preacher in charge and his helper must do hard work, but not in vain. The Church possesses here two fine chapels and one parsonage.

*Lyss*, with seven stations. This year the labor of Brother Krauss, preacher in charge, was also successful. In Arch, a station six miles from Lyss, Brother Krauss has had much trouble. After a service bad fellows, who were engaged by the pastor of the national Church, came into the house where Brother Krauss lives and pulled him out on the street, struck him, and pushed him into a drinking-house. A strong blacksmith, who was in the drinking-house, took the part of Brother Krauss and struck the fellows so vigorously that they fled. Because our brother was threatened with death we went to the judges. According to the law the fellows would have been put in prison; but we found that it would be better to settle the matter in a friendly way; and the assailants agreed to pay 600 francs and all costs.

*Neuenburg*. This circuit is in good condition. The work grows continually. The people have a good degree of missionary spirit and do exceedingly well in raising money. We have a fine chapel here.

*St. Immer* is a hopeful field. The members are pious and love the Church, but they are poor. We must have a chapel in St. Immer. Other Churches have chapels, and if our work is to grow and not recede, we



will be obliged to build a house of God. The Missionary Society is so kind in helping other foreign mission fields to build chapels that we hope it will also help us for St. Immer.

We cannot retreat on any part of the whole line of our Church in Switzerland. Forward to victory! The mother Church forgets us not, and God is with us!

ZURICH DISTRICT, H. Kienust, P.E.

It is only a few months since I began working on this district, and therefore I am not able to give a full report.

With thanks to God we perceive that the work on the district is going on, though we have had to strive against many difficulties, and in the midst of the increasingly great competition of the other Churches. Our parishes generally are in a prosperous and flourishing inner state, and also represent an exterior normal growth.

Last year the district embraced 16 circuits, with 119 preaching-places, and 3,990 members and probationers, with 17 ordained and 1 unordained preachers; also 3 local preachers and 41 exhorters working with courage and self-denial. The preachers generally have had good health, but three wives of ministers are very sick, and a dear daughter of my predecessor, Rev. H. T. Breiter, has gone to heaven. On nearly all the circuits we had revivals; four hundred and eighty-three of the reclaimed and converted souls united with our church on trial. Subtracting the persons deceased and removed, we have a net increase of one hundred and thirteen members and probationers—truly a considerable victory in a land where many prejudices predominate against the name of Methodist.

The membership brought up 105,982 francs for different purposes, an increase of 4,201 francs. That amount is large for our poor people, nourishing themselves from hand to mouth, and is a proof of an admirable and self-denying liberality, springing from love to God, to their neighbors, and to our church. But beside, this, how many blessings the Lord has given to us that we cannot express by numbers! We think of the good influence that Methodism exercises on other denominations. Other Churches have become in many relations more Methodistical by instituting Sunday-schools, by the introduction of visits from house to house, of after-meetings and revival meetings, and by using the lay brethren and sisters for work in the kingdom of God.

On our 19 chapels and 5 parsonages, worth 770,621 francs, there was still in May last a debt of 229,653 francs. In 1889-90 we had a debt of 238,130 francs, which was diminished last year by our own and American gifts about 25,770 francs. The reason why the debts, nevertheless, have not been more reduced is to be found in the fact that last year a new chapel in Wetzikon (a new circuit) was added, upon which there is yet a debt of 17,300 francs. We are very thankful to our dear mother Church in America, so generously sustaining without fatigue its daughter in Switzerland. If the daughter were rich and had no pressing debts she would desist with pleasure from further financial aid. But our present situation

is such that the feeling of our dependence for the near future is greater than before, and that by reason of the following points : Our poor parishes are nearly overburdened with chapel debts and other demands. Moreover there is the fatal circumstance that this year some regions have been heavily afflicted by the failure of the harvest and the damage done by hail-storms. Then the silk industry and the embroidery, on which many of our people are dependent for work, have greatly fallen off, and the manufacturers pay consequently very small wages. Therefore the outlook for receiving larger collections in aid of the work is absolutely unfavorable.

Finally, other things fall strongly in the scales of the financial question.

The large Schaffhauser Circuit with its 18 preaching-places would have been divided long ago into three if we had had more ministers and more money. How much damage this field must suffer for want of the necessary financial means !

Also Herisau, a considerable place in the canton of Appenzel, where there is a flourishing congregation with about one hundred and forty communicants, and belonging to the circuit of St. Gallen, should be a separate circuit. But first we should have there a chapel and parsonage. This hopeful place has done until now what it could. The preacher in charge has taken collections for this purpose, but our generally poor membership could not lay more on the altar than about 10,000 francs. Needing nearly this sum to buy a building-ground, whence will come about 40,000 francs for the erection of a new chapel ?

At Frauenfeld, capital of the canton of Thurgau, we should at once secure a more favorable situation for the hall of worship. We have heretofore collected for a new chapel there ; but the building-fund is only about 6,500 francs, while we must have for this town 40,000 francs.

The work in Chur, the capital of the canton of Graubunden, is suffering for the same reason. Since the beginning we have been obliged to be always in halls entirely too small and unfavorably situated. A new chapel there would cost about 70,000 francs.

Last year we founded in Zurich a book concern, a branch of the Verlag des Tractathauses in Bremen. It has been begun with the modest capital stock of about 7,000 francs. Although it is managed in a small hired store (a better we could not find at that time), the concern is prosperous and hopeful. But the need of possessing a better situated home will become by and by greater and stronger. If we had 60,000 francs for this purpose the book concern would take without doubt, by the aid of God, a more blessed course.

The work of Sunday-schools is in a flourishing state—733 teachers work joyfully in 142 Sunday-schools, with 9,561 pupils, an increase of 3 Sunday-schools and 109 pupils. By all means we sought to win the young people for the Lord Jesus Christ ; by 8,157 volumes in the libraries, and 5,596 " Kinderfreund " we exercise a good influence on the children. The hands of the teachers were fortified by 682 *Sontagschul-Magazin*, and by conventions. An association for Christian education will soon be instituted, the chief purpose of which will be to give the Sunday-school workers

educational lessons for their important office. How necessary is this labor among the young people in Switzerland! That the majority of the instructors of our land are infidels is a sad fact. How many prejudices against the word of God are infused into the youth in low and high school! Some years ago when my oldest son came home from school, he told us that one of his teachers had taught that the worshiping of Jesus Christ as the Son of God was a vain idolatry. Lately another of my sons came home with the remark that nearly all of his companions believed neither in God nor in Christ nor in heaven nor hell. How heart-rending are such facts as these! According to statistics the Catholic Church has increased since 1850 about 22.4 per cent., but as the Protestants increased during the same time about 21.6 per cent., the difference in favor of the Catholics is not more than four fifths of one per cent. The Catholics of Zurich lately built a Gesellenhaus, and in several Protestant places we find now Catholic churches where ten years ago there were none. Who will not recognize that Methodism has a great work to do in Switzerland? Who can fail to see how necessary it is to strengthen its hands for successful activity in the future to save thousands of old and young people to the glory of God, while we believe in the truth: "*The best of all is, God is with us,*" and, "*If God be for us, who can be against us?*"

# STATISTICS OF SWITZERLAND.

## CIRCUIT OR STATION.

Circuit or Station.	Bern District.																			Native Ordained Preachers.	Native Unordained Preachers.	Other Helpers.	Members.	Probationers.	Adherents.	Average Attendance on Sunday Worship.	Conversions during the Year.	Children Baptized.	No. of Sabbath-schools.	No. of Sabbath Scholars.	Number of Churches and Chapels.	Estimated Value of Churches and Chapels.	No. of Halls and other Places of Worship.	Parsonages, or "Homes."	Estimated Value of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Debt on Real Estate.	Collected for Missionary Society.	Collected for other Benevolent Societies.	Collected for Self-support.	Collected for Church Building and Repairing.	Contributed for other Local Purposes.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																														
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## SCANDINAVIA.

Commenced in 1853.

BISHOP WALDEN held the Annual Meeting of the Denmark Mission at Veile, July 1, the Norway Conference at Bergen, July 15, and the Sweden Conference at Upsala, July 29. The work continues to progress, and gives evidence of being on a good foundation, as will appear from an attentive perusal of the reports.

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## SWEDEN.

Organized as a Conference in 1876.

### BISHOP JOYCE HAS EPISCOPAL SUPERVISION.

FINLAND DISTRICT, Rev. John Roth, P.E.

The work of our beloved Church in Finland is very young. Nevertheless there are already gathered more than five hundred members and eight hundred Sunday-school scholars around her standard, besides several hundred friends yet standing outside, who by and by will come into the fold. We are in great need of preachers who are able to preach in the Finnish language, but as yet we have only one capable of doing that.

During the year two chapels have been built, one in Gamla Karleby and one in Ekenas. In Wasa and Abo the societies are planning for chapel-building next year.

Though we have had many conversions in the societies last year, the increase of membership is not great, the cause being that the persons who wish to unite with us must withdraw from the State Church, and this seems to be too great a sacrifice for many of the converted ones. It is considered in the common opinion as a great sin to leave the State Church, and consequently he who dares to do it is looked upon as a greater sinner than he who is a swearer and a drunkard, if he only remains a member of the State Church. Some other Christian bodies have also told those who have been converted among us that we are starting a new State Church. So you see we have had troubles of several kinds, but I hope it will turn out for good. Our heavenly Father will protect his children.

The government has during the year granted our Church the legal right to organize and hold church property, but in order to be recognized as a legal body our members must withdraw from the State Church.

Our plan for prosecuting the work in Finland is to take hold of the larger towns and build up strong societies there by whom the work then will be spread to the country places without help from the Missionary Society. Our most pressing need is a church building in Helsingfors. Here we ought to have a fine church, located as centrally as possible. If our work in Helsingfors can command respect, we will gain by it in the whole land. But a church in Helsingfors will cost us about \$40,000. A lot large enough to build a church and a parsonage on will cost us \$22,000. Where to get money for this enterprise we do not know at present, but the work belongs to God, and he is the owner of all the gold and silver, and all the trees in the forest, and we believe that he will care for our needs.

There has been an increase of two Sunday-schools during the year, and of one hundred and seventy-three Sunday-school scholars. For the work in the Sunday-schools we are in great need of Sunday-school literature to distribute among the children, especially in the Finnish language.

My brethren on the district are laboring zealously in the work of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the congregations assist them faithfully.

We are looking forward with faith in God that he will give us victory. O, for a great outpouring of the Holy Ghost this year that thousands of precious souls in Finland may be saved !

Our monthly paper, *Nya Budboraren* (*The New Messenger*), has been published also this year, and we know that this little paper has been a blessing to many. God bless our work in Finland !

Gothenburg District, Rev. C. Ljunggren, P.E.

The last Conference year has been abundant in blessings in many ways. Glory to God, who has favored us all with good health, so that we have had strength to labor for the salvation of sinners and the edification of the societies. We have had success along the whole line. As far as I know the spiritual state, all is well ; the greatest part of our preachers work energetically that our prayer-meetings and class-meetings, which highly tend to promote spiritual vitality and bring success to the work, may flourish. Those societies which this year have received the greatest number of members are Atorp, Bofors, Gothenburg Em., Gothenburg St. Jacob, Karlanda, Laxa, and Stromstad. During the Conference year 705 have entered on probation, and 445 in full connection ; the real increase in the district is 520 members.

Four churches have been finished and dedicated : Gothenburg Em., Karlanda, Nykroppa, and Stadbraten. The three last named have no debt worth mentioning. They are well built and situated in populous villages, and will meet a long-felt want in the places where they have been erected.

In Karlanda the preacher's dwelling will be ready next year. The house is already built, and will soon be fitted up. Since the Conference in Upsala we have laid the foundation for a new church ; it is placed near a great railway station, Finnerodja (the next unto Laxa) ; when completed it will nearly be free from debt.

In our Sunday-schools several hundreds of male and female teachers work for the religious benefit of the children. Many of the scholars are converted and have united with the church, and, joyful to mention, very many among them are sons and daughters of members of our church, and so whole families can say, "I and my house serve the Lord." Bishop J. M. Walden was able at our Annual Conference to adopt two highly promising towns, Amal and Trollhattan, and appoint one preacher to Kumla, which place still belongs to Laxa-Hardemo. This will no doubt afford great blessing and success to the work.

During the past year we have been happy to gather great quantities of money, considering our poor circumstances, for church building, improvement of church properties, and for benevolent purposes. The total amount gathered is 6,300 crowns. Our people have given joyfully, and those societies which labor most zealously have the greatest success in all cases.

We hope that the new Conference year which is now begun may prove to be a year full of blessing from the Lord. We thank God for the grace he has bestowed upon us. We have received from our God the mission to promulgate the blessed doctrine of full salvation and holiness to our people, and the preached word has yielded rich fruit. True enough, we have not received such a great number of members as we ought after such considerable labors; but we are delighted that we have well cleared the stone-bound field, and that the seed is sown that will grow and bring harvest for eternity. Our blessed doctrine of full salvation and purification in the Lamb's blood most of the other Churches have been obliged to adopt in their preaching, if they would win any hearers. To the Lord belongs praise for it all! May peace reign over God's Israel!

#### GOTLAND DISTRICT, Rev. K. Lundgren, P.E.

The last Conference year has been rich in blessings from the Lord for us on this island. In most places revivals have taken place, and the people of God have been strengthened.

In *Burgsvik* the church is building a new chapel, and although it has not pulpit, altar, or pew, they have services in it every Sunday. Our friends on the main-land have also this year reached their helping hands to this poor church in its labor to complete the building. The dedication will not take place before the house is finished, and the debt on it is not more than 1,000 crowns. No special revival has taken place here; but our venerable brother who has the charge of the circuit has labored faithfully. If one of our younger brethren were appointed here, we doubtless should have more success.

On *Buttle Circuit* there has been a good revival during the last winter. Twenty-five persons united with the church on probation. Two new preaching-places have been added to this already large circuit. Here are three chapels without debt.

To *Follingbo Circuit* belong four regular preaching-places. At one of them a new chapel has been built and dedicated during the year. But we need one more on this great and populous circuit. Many have been con-

verted during the year, and twenty have joined the church. A new Sunday-school was being formed.

In *Kappelshaum* there has been good success in all branches of our work. A local preacher has labored here faithfully, and the church has gone from victory to victory. Many have been converted, and twenty have united with the church. One of them, a student from the university, is now an exhorter among us.

The church in *Stite* has also had a precious time. The number of members has increased and the debt on the chapel has decreased. The religious state is very good indeed. So is it also in *Tafta*. Seventy-five crowns have here been paid on the debt of the chapel. Not a few have joined the church.

In *Wisby*, the only town on our island, is our strongest church on the district. We have here three hundred and fifty-eight members. During the last winter a powerful revival took place, and very many were converted. About fifty joined the church. Four hundred crowns have been paid on the debt of the chapel. The Sunday-school is flourishing and has enrolled four hundred scholars.

A little monthly paper, named *Gotlands Sandebud*, has been published since January last, and greatly assists to make known our doctrines and missionary work.

Our Committee on Home Missions, appointed by the District Conference, has labored with success. Missionary meetings have been held, and money collected for the work. Many doors are opened for us, but how can we get money so that we may continue if we enter? May the Lord's blessing rest upon all our efforts to extend his kingdom on this island! He has been with us hitherto. Thousands of souls now praise the Lord for salvation through the Gospel preached here by Methodist preachers, and we hope the Lord will help us in the time to come.

MALMO DISTRICT, Rev. C. P. Carlsson, P.E.

The work of the last year has been successful on the district. Every one of the servants of the Lord has had a good reward for his labor. Quite a number of the charges have been blessed with good revivals. At *Karlskrona* some 200 persons were converted, and 109 joined on probation. In Lund, Wexio, and Norrköping 132 have been added to the churches. The result in the whole district is that more than 700 conversions occurred; 505 persons have joined on probation, and 351 have been received in full connection. Peace, unity, and love have reigned in the churches.

This is the bright side of the picture, but there is a dark one also. The dominion of the power of darkness is a large one, and our forces are small. How to increase them is the burning question. The Lord is calling young men into the ministry; the field is open, but lack of money is hindering us from increasing our work. Our poor members are bravely struggling on, numbers of them having a "week of self-denial" all the year round in order to have something to lay on the altar of the Lord.



We ought immediately to take up seven new appointments here, but I do not see how we shall be able to do it. Still it is written, "The Lord will provide."

The rules in regard to ministerial support and benevolent collections have been carried out. More money has been collected this year than ever, in spite of the hard times now prevailing. The amount collected for ministerial support is 15,051 crowns, an increase over last year of 1,913 crowns; the missionary collection amounts to 4,098 crowns, an average of 1.13 per member. In church debts there is a decrease of 3,574 crowns.

At *Landskrona* a substantial church is erected and will be dedicated before Christmas. This is our first church edifice in Shane.

At *Motala* we have now a good church, seating six hundred persons. Value 20,000 crowns, with 7,500 crowns to be provided for.

At *Kristianstad* a hall has been rented and a class founded this year. We hope to soon employ a preacher there. The inhabitants of this city number about twelve thousand.

STOCKHÖLM DISTRICT, Rev. J. M. Erikson, P.E.

During the past year God has abundantly blessed us, so that we have many reasons to praise his holy name.

In many places there have been good revivals, during which sinners have been converted and the people of God have received new baptisms of the Holy Ghost. The places where we have had the best success are: Avesta, Forsbacka, Gefle, Norberg, Sandviken, Skutskar, Stockholm, St. Mark, and Upsala. In Trinity Church, Stockholm, many from the upper classes of society come to listen to the word, and we hope that some of them will be converted.

I am sure our work is growing stronger every year, and it is very encouraging that our good discipline is loved more and more by our members. There is much competition with other denominations, but we find time after time that our special doctrines of the work of the Holy Spirit in witnessing with the believer and sanctifying him to love God and man with a perfect heart are gaining ground. Our church government is also esteemed by other Churches, and our usages and the manner in which we work are adopted by them in many details. The very State Church is no exception to this.

The statistical tables do not show an increase in every matter, but this is owing in some degree to the fact that one of the stations was transferred to Gothenberg District at the Conference of 1890. We have now 29 stations, of which 13 are in cities (including 4 in Stockholm), 11 in places where there are large factories, iron-works, or saw-mills, and the remaining 5 in country places. To visit them I have to travel more than fifteen hundred English miles every quarter. The regular preaching places are seventy-nine. During the year eight hundred and thirty-three have joined on probation, and four hundred and seventy-two probationers have been received into full connection with the church.

Our people are showing their faith by their works, praise to the Lord!

In respect to financial matters, they give according to their ability, and in many instances they are exerting themselves almost beyond their power. Times are very hard ; the price of food has increased and wages are comparatively poor. The larger part of our members consists of working-men with their families. Nevertheless their contributions are enlarged. The amount apportioned at the Annual Conference for pastors' support last year was 20,975 crowns ; this year it is 22,900 crowns, an increase of more than nine per cent. during one year. This was done although we were obliged to press them almost too hard in 1889, when the appropriation from the Missionary Society was reduced so much. For church building and payments on church debts between 14,000 and 15,000 crowns have been collected, for other local purposes more than 36,000, and for the Missionary Society and other benevolent purposes more than 15,000, making a total of about 87,000 crowns, or more than 13 crowns for every member and probationer. I think this is a very good showing.

We thank God for all his goodness and mercy toward us, and by his grace we are determined to go forward and be, as the apostle enjoins, more and more perfect. Our wish is to extend the field and so make our success more complete. That we have not been able to do much in this respect in later years is owing to the lack of money. We also think it best not to take up regular work in a place if there are not evident signs that we can have a good and strong church there. Methodism is no more a little child in these northern lands, and where we go and plant our banner we want to stay forever. Some new fields are prepared and only waiting for a man that is able, by the grace of God, to start a blessed and solid work. I hope our beloved Missionary Society, which we have to thank for such good aid hitherto, will enable us to open some new places also next year.

Our little theological school is doing a good work. Every year young men graduate from it, prepared to go out in the field and work for God and Methodism. In the circulation of our books and periodicals there is a little increase also this year.

Thanking our heavenly Father for all his mercy, we go forward in his strength to preach the Gospel of a blessed Saviour, hoping for a good year and wishing that the Church may always be prosperous in its work for the salvation of mankind.

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Gothenburg District.

Atorp.....	149	80	400	55	8	88	2	4,700	1	471	170	131	275	105	250
Bengtsfors.....	60	14	35	250	11	8	2	2,000	1	...	...	50	32	290	10
Bofors.....	189	20	400	550	51	4	3	11,500	4	8,955	114	110	457	530	580
Degerfors.....	178	44	50	450	0	4	1	7,500	...	1,356	116	45	561	800	...
Falköping.....	58	19	10	200	2	1	...	...	...	5,650	10	68	270	384	...
Filipstad.....	153	25	50	300	7	8	...	11,000	1	6,000	92	52	404	837	510
Gruus and Nor.....	91	19	40	300	16	3	...	6,500	...	2,700	112	70	640	105	394
Gothenburg, Eriam.....	99	23	60	400	35	2	...	70,000	1	53,670	139	139	527	16,329	415
Emmanuel.....	366	104	150	800	130	10	...	41,800	...	12,600	500	761	1,405	250	...
St. Jakob's.....	245	82	200	800	160	10	...	...	2	...	507	805	869	3,251	...
Halmstad.....	112	110	15	50	17	...	...	12,500	1	7,350	108	65	444	250	475
Halsberg and Lerbeck.....	234	25	40	800	15	...	...	14,500	...	2,720	108	164	522	186	947
Hillingberg.....	44	14	30	800	10	...	...	4,000	...	1,084	60	7	393	241	600
Karlunda.....	44	10	20	200	15	4	...	2,000	1	500	20	2	323	1,500	20
Karlstad.....	112	22	50	300	8	...	...	2,500	1	1,300	120	110	353	125	504
Kristinehamn.....	186	60	30	400	45	6	...	10,400	...	2,850	148	62	805	180	698
Laxa and Hardemo.....	285	13	60	500	60	...	...	15,000	...	5,463	153	455	606	504	951
Lekhyttan.....	119	20	200	300	31	8	...	2,700	...	400	67	86	252	200	135
Lidköping.....	179	16	25	300	14	...	...	...	1	...	105	74	483	...	450
Lindesberg.....	161	37	50	500	60	...	...	6,550	...	2,850	205	65	536	...	535
Orebro.....	390	34	100	700	12	...	...	13,000	1	6,227	307	194	1,121	11	900
Ransäter.....	179	19	30	500	27	...	...	7,000	1	729	205	108	632	...	170
Sefle and Froskog.....	139	39	50	500	83	4	...	8,000	1	980	170	67	442	811	330
Strömstad.....	46	4	40	250	27	2	...	...	...	...	100	67	291	...	...
Walla and Slap.....	99	17	30	200	10	5	...	6,000	1	1,550	150	94	371	250	633
Malmo District.															
Bytt and Kaa.....	54	1	36	100	15	...	...	2,500	1	1,100	68	208	569	35	425
Boxholm.....	72	20	50	100	5	...	...	4,880	1	435	120	64	512	109	281
Ekspö.....	139	27	50	400	41	5	...	15,300	...	6,800	159	81	495	102	641
Helsingborg.....	24	28	75	350	25	2	...	...	1	...	151	13	332	...	1,325
Hvedlanda and Umricksdö.....	22	14	20	100	10	1	...	2,200	1	1,020	40	22	426	145	282
Jönköping.....	106	32	200	400	17	4	...	36,000	...	9,800	205	233	633	...	1,412
Kalmar.....	159	27	100	400	20	1	...	13,000	...	800	200	237	900	91	600
Karlshamn.....	103	20	300	300	23	...	...	10,000	1	3,500	204	417	555	46	637
Katrineholm.....	75	300	600	200	200	8	...	21,400	1	300	430	272	1,089	500	2,383
Landskrona.....	23	6	25	75	6	...	...	...	1	...	29	75	295	...	190
Lidköping.....	14	110	250	20	2	...	...	4,800	1	110	122	99	580	8,020	576
Ljude and Linneryd.....	13	45	80	300	20	6	...	...	...	4,150	106	326	559	...	925
Lofthammar and Wraha.....	59	18	105	300	15	...	...	...	...	107	197	45	416	...	200
Lund.....	151	6	75	300	5	4	...	5,000	...	1,100	100	181	540	600	418
Malmö.....	101	17	50	150	25	...	...	...	...	...	226	92	633	...	444
Möta.....	149	9	75	275	60	...	...	...	1	...	204	666	650	...	933
Möta.....	117	15	950	500	10	6	...	...	...	...	204	666	650	...	933
Mönsterås.....	81	4	100	150	8	...	...	...	...	...	170	91	555	...	301
Norrköping.....	490	116	200	500	50	12	...	36,800	1	16,656	560	602	1,436	492	2,455



# STATISTICS OF SWEDEN—Continued.

## CIRCUIT OR STATION.

### Malmo District—Cont'd.

Foreign Missionaries.	Assistant Missionaries.	Native Ordained Preachers.	Native Unordained Preachers.	Native Teachers.	Other Helpers.	Members.	Probationers.	Adherents.	Average Attendance on Sunday Worship.	Conversions During the Year.	Children Baptized.	No. of Theol. Schools.	No. of Teachers in same.	No. of Students.	No. of Sabbath-schools.	No. of Sabbath Scholars.	No. of Churches and Chapels.	Estimated Value of Churches and Chapels.	*Kronas.	No. of Halls and other rented Places of Worship.	Parsonages, or "Homes," sonages, or "Homes,"	Estimated Value of Parsonages, or "Homes," Kronas.	Debt on Real Estate.	Collected for Missionary Society.	Collected for other Beneficent Societies.	Collected for Self-support.	Collected for Church Building and Repara.	Contributed for other Local Purposes.	Volumes Printed during the Year.	Pages Printed during the Year.			
<i>Mabmo District.—Cont'd.</i>																																	
Nassjö.....						47	2	50	800	10	1	1	1	1	1	112	1	1	14,634	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Öskarshamn.....						151	23	200	400	11	3	6	7	2	2	333	2	2	7,000	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Sousterp and Lotorp.....						87	13	40	100	3	1	1	1	1	1	75	1	1	4,500	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Waldemarsvik.....						47	5	100	75	25	6	1	1	1	1	65	1	1	4,500	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Västervik and Gamleby.....						253	79	100	600	30	7	1	1	1	1	400	2	2	7,300	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Vexjö and Delary.....						71	23	50	100	60	8	1	1	1	1	130	1	1	7,300	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
<i>Finland District.</i>																																	
Abo.....						85	29	60	210	1	1	1	1	1	1	200	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Björneborg.....						17	16	45	85	1	1	1	1	1	1	80	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Helsingfors.....						95	26	80	810	2	2	2	2	2	2	229	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Pekana.....						87	15	75	175	15	3	1	1	1	1	75	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Gaika Karleby.....						28	11	25	110	11	2	1	1	1	1	65	1	1	10,000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Kristinestad and Nerpes.....						81	11	45	155	45	2	1	1	1	1	130	1	1	2,400	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Wasa.....						90	7	45	210	210	2	1	1	1	1	130	1	1	2,400	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
<i>St. Petersburg District.</i>																																	
St. Petersburg.....						11	25	60	210	210	2	1	1	1	1	130	1	1	2,400	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Burgsvik.....						46	1	175	275	8	1	1	1	1	1	40	1	1	2,200	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Buttle and Ostergarn.....						113	25	600	800	80	1	1	1	1	1	90	1	1	1,500	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Fallingbo.....						95	80	125	500	25	1	1	1	1	1	134	1	1	2,000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Kappelsbarn.....						70	13	200	300	20	1	1	1	1	1	60	1	1	2,500	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Sitie.....						80	14	200	350	15	2	1	1	1	1	70	1	1	2,500	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Tofte.....						101	8	225	500	8	1	1	1	1	1	100	2	2	3,200	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Wisby.....						301	57	450	500	90	1	1	1	1	1	350	1	1	20,000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

## RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

Stockholm District.....	27	50	46	61	5,453	1,067	8,080	8,305	1,089	165	1	1	13	57	5,873	32	450,480	12	5	20,000	187,182	6,535	8,996	22,191	9,914	36,327	464,800	8,984,000	
Göteborg ".....	25	51	54	72	8,938	724	1,290	9,950	904	128	65	3,924	35	299,150	9	5	10,500	114,424	8,132	8,213	13,897	21,424	15,631	8,213	13,897	21,424	15,631	8,213	13,897
Malmo ".....	18	83	24	144	8,046	689	2,641	7,125	709	82	60	5,212	22	196,161	21	1	8,000	58,852	4,098	4,640	15,161	6,296	18,468	4,640	15,161	6,296	18,468	4,640	15,161
Finland ".....	8	9	8	8	897	115	400	1,315	100	9	12	779	2	12,400	6	1	8,500	8,970	498	702	987	6,900	2,698	702	987	6,900	2,698	702	987
Gotland ".....	6	11	13	2	855	188	1,975	2,950	168	18	19	894	10	41,000	1	7	7,800	15,448	1,076	734	3,062	1,746	2,698	734	3,062	1,746	2,698	734	3,062
Total.....	84	155	140	252	13,639	2,703	9,956	29,645	2,821	400	1	1	13,213	16,632	101	959	191	49	18	40,800	384,406	15,999	18,275	54,618	46,290	73,109	489,550	9,192,000	
Last year.....	73	96	96	448	13,333	2,664	8,128	23,261	2,357	338	1	1	11,816	16,139	95	889	644	60	19	42,822	267,319	14,946	18,677	49,202	51,253	81,461	402,900	4,761,906	

\* 1 Krona = 37 cents.

## II.

## NORWAY.

Organized as a Conference in 1876.

## BISHOP GOODSSELL HAS EPISCOPAL SUPERVISION.

CHRISTIANIA DISTRICT, Rev. A. Olsen, P.E.

Forwarding this report of our work in this district, I feel to thank the Lord for his mercies. He has blessed his servants' endeavors in every field of labor. Sinners have been converted and the members of our churches have been strengthened and edified in their most holy faith.

I shall try to give you a concise statement of the work in general.

The spiritual condition of the work, taken as a whole, is good. Our members live in peace and brotherly love, and they are faithful to God and the Church. And though we want more power in the fullness of the Spirit of grace, yet we feel happy in considering the great things he has done for us already.

The progress or the increase of members is not so great this year as the last; and yet not a few sinners have been saved in every place, and in some we have even had great revivals. If half of those who have been converted among us had joined our churches during the year we should have been able to rejoice over a good increase. We have during the year received in this district on probation three hundred and twenty-four, and two hundred and forty-four in full connection. But in some of the societies not a few have withdrawn, removed, or been lost. The local preachers who formerly were counted in the number of members in the statistics are this year not so counted, according to the advice of the bishop; and thus the increase is not very encouraging.

The congregations on Sundays are in most places large, and the power of the word of God has been felt in the salvation of many precious souls. It is indeed much more difficult now than formerly to hold the congregations and gather members. Formerly we had only the formal State Church and its, for the most part, spiritually dead preachers as our opponents, and the Methodists were mostly the only dissenters working with any power in the country; whereas now we have a host of religious societies and parties with preachers, men and women, using all sorts of peculiar methods as means to draw the people. Besides this, the teachers and clergy of the State Church themselves are far more religious, and, together with hundreds of gifted and able lay preachers, exercise great religious influence among the people. But still we have been able to keep our position until now, and we are determined to go forward conquering. I am glad to say that Methodism proves itself to be as powerful to-day as it has been in former days.

The Sunday-schools are prosperous and are well cared for throughout the whole district. The superintendent, teachers, and pastors work with

zeal and interest among the children. And we hope and pray that the Lord will bless their endeavors, so that our more than five thousand Sunday-school children may become real Christians and members of our dear Church.

The church properties are in good condition in the district. In several places the churches or chapels have been trimmed up, lecture-rooms built, and organs bought. All this has required not a little money, but the people have responded to our need.

The financial condition in the district, according to our means, is tolerably good. For the necessary current expenses, the pastor's support, and the money needed to pay debts on the properties, as well as for benevolent purposes, no small amounts have been gathered. For the support of the pastors almost 12,000 crowns have been collected in Christiania District, more than 4,500 crowns have been collected for missions and other benevolent purposes, and between 40,000 and 50,000 crowns besides have been gathered for paying debts and other purposes necessary for carrying on our work. All this shows, I think, our people's liberality and self-sacrifice, seeing most of them are poor working people.

The theological school, that last year had five students, has now started on with eight. Four of the former have gone into the regular work, and I hope they will be able preachers and good pastors. The eight young men who now attend the school are good-looking, pious men, desiring to be educated for the ministry. The Lord bless them!

My brethren in the ministry have done good work during the year and have been at their posts in good spirit. They have all been in good health save some who have suffered from the "grip." As to myself, I feel to thank my dear Saviour for his mercies to me in my work. I have been able to travel around the district and hold quarterly meetings, and exercise supervision over the work given me. And I thank God for his goodness and blessings to me and my brethren, and the work under our care. With these brief remarks on the condition of my district I shall close this report; and I pray and sincerely hope that the great Lord and Saviour, who hitherto has been our helper and carried us forward from victory to victory will also go with us in the future. And this we do not doubt. The cause is his own, and the conquest of the world is the great and sure aim of his Church. Our Captain is Jehovah himself, and he has never suffered any defeat.

Pray for us, dear fathers and brethren, that the great and important work in this our dear country may spread gloriously every-where to the glory of our dear Lord.

We have received no report of the Bergen District.

# STATISTICS OF NORWAY.

## CIRCUIT OF STATION.

Circuit or Station.		Native Ordained Preachers.		Native Unordained and Local Preachers.		Members.		Probationers.		Adherents.		Average Attendance on Sunday Worship.		Children Baptized.		No. of Theolog' School.		No. of Teachers in same.		No. of Students.		No. of Sabbath-schools.		No. of Sabbath Scholars.		No. of Churches and Chapels.		Estimated Value of Churches and Chapels.		No. of Halls and other rented Places of Worship.		Parsonages or "Homes."		Estimated Value of Parsonages, or "Homes."		Debt on Real Estate.		Collected for Missionary Society.		Collected for other Benevolent Societies.		Collected for Church Building and Repairing.		Contributed for other Local Purposes.		Volumes Printed during the Year.		Pages Printed during the Year.			
Christiana District.																																																			
Brevig.....	1	1	60	40	200	450	8	1	2	120	1	1	6,400	4,945	25	8	801	55	379	281	2,815	261,944	5,721,571																												
Christiana: First Church.....	1	10	322	40	200	450	8	1	2	500	1	1	49,300	4,960	525	221	1,600	268	2,815	261,944	5,721,571																														
Second Church.....	1	10	100	12	100	100	9	1	1	225	1	1	15,000	5,143	192	78	804	527	1,069																																
Third Church.....	1	2	195	41	100	800	9	1	1	225	1	1	15,000	5,143	192	78	804	527	1,069																																
Drammen.....	1	3	149	10	150	800	9	1	1	225	1	1	15,000	5,143	192	78	804	527	1,069																																
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## III.

## DENMARK.

## BISHOP NEWMAN HAS EPISCOPAL SUPERVISION.

## ORDAINED PREACHERS.

J. J. Christensen,	H. Hansen,	H. Jacobsen,
P. M. S. Jensen,	S. K. Johansen.	J. Nielsen,
Chr. J. M. Thaarup,	L. Christensen,	A. Christensen,
	L. C. Larsen.	

## UNORDAINED PREACHERS.

N. P. Nielsen.	Chr. Jensen,	A. Bast,
Chr. Nielsen,	R. Petersen,	S. Nielsen Gaarde.
	M. Olsen.	

## SUPPLY.

L. Werner.

## APPOINTMENTS FOR 1891-92.

J. J. CHRISTENSEN, Superintendent. P.-O., Holsteinsgave 30, Copenhagen.

*Aalborg*, A Christensen, P.-O., Aalborg.

*Aarhus*, L. C. Larsen, P.-O., Aarhus.

*Copenhagen, St. Paul*, Chr. Thaarup, P.-O., Copenhagen, K.

*Copenhagen, Bethania*, S. Nielsen Gaarde, P.-O., Copenhagen, N.

*Enkelund*, an Assistant.

*Faaborg*, S. K. Johansen, P.-O., Faaborg.

*Frederikshavn*, H. Hansen, P.-O., Frederikshavn.

*Holstebro*, N. P. Nielsen, P.-O., Holstebro.

*Horsens and Hornsyld*, Chr. Nielsen, P.-O., Horsens.

*Langeland*, R. Petersen, P.-O., Rudkjobing.

*Kallundborg*, Chr. Jensen, P.-O., Kallundborg.

*Lokken*, J. Nielsen, P.-O., Lokken.

*Odense*, P. M. S. Jensen, P.-O., Odense.

*Svendborg*, H. Jacobsen, P.-O., Svendborg.

*Varde*, L. Christensen, P.-O., Varde.

*Veile*, A. Bast, P.-O., Veile.

*Copenhagen Theological Institute*, J. J. Christensen, Chr. Thaarup, S. Udsen, Teachers.

S. K. Johansen, editor of *Kristelig Talsmand*.

S. Udsen, editor of *Sondagsskolen*.

## Superintendent Christensen reports :

This last year has been the best which we yet have known in our mission here. The Lord has greatly blessed our efforts, so that we can rejoice in the progress our cause has made. God has spared the lives of all our

preachers, so that they have all been able to stand at their posts throughout the year.

There have been six hundred and sixty-nine conversions during the year. Six hundred and six have been received on probation, and three hundred and eighty-four in full connection. The net increase of full members has been two hundred and seventy-eight. We do not retain all the members whom we receive in our churches, as numbers of them emigrate to America, but we hear occasionally from them, that they unite with our churches in the United States. We have now two thousand and forty-two members in full connection, and four hundred and fifty-seven probationers. Our missionary collection is larger than ever before, namely, 3,190 crowns, being 400 crowns above the amount apportioned us by the Missionary Society. Fifteen thousand six hundred and forty-three crowns have been collected toward self-support, being 1,027 crowns more than last year. We thank the Lord for all this, and await yet greater results in the future.

Sunday-school work has been carried on with much interest by all our churches, and the Lord has caused it to prosper greatly. We have four more Sunday-schools and two hundred and eighty-six more pupils than last year. Our Sunday-schools have borne good fruit; several of the children have been converted to God, while many of our former pupils are now teachers in the schools, where they have learned to know the Lord and to love our Church. I shall give a short report of each place.

*Aalborg.* This town, lying by Limfjorden, is one of the oldest in the country and contains a population of eighteen thousand. Every possible Christian sect has long been represented in this town, which circumstance has produced very confused religious notions among the people. Brother P. M. S. Jensen has, nevertheless, made good progress during the year. We have an excellent hired hall, and the congregation, which consisted of sixty members, now numbers one hundred and ten. The work has been extended from this place to Randers, a town containing sixteen thousand inhabitants, and forty miles distant from Aalborg. There are now fourteen members in Randers, and we hope to station a preacher there next year and organize an independent church.

*Aarhus.* This town is, next to Copenhagen, the largest in Denmark, and has a population of thirty-four thousand. We began work here several years ago, but having been obliged to occupy small and shabby halls, it has been impossible to attract many hearers; consequently there was not much progress last year. We need a good church in this town; had we such a church here Brother Larsen would see more fruits of his labor. There was, however, a good revival last winter, and thirty persons were converted to God, twenty-five being received into the church on probation.

*Copenhagen.* Here the church has been divided into two congregations, St. Paul's, with three hundred and fifty-four in full connection and seventy-four probationers, and Bethania, with one hundred and fifteen in full connection and forty-five probationers. St. Paul's congregation uses our

large church in Rigensgade, while Bethania has a hired hall in Novrebro. Both the churches are actively at work in this large city of three hundred and thirty thousand inhabitants. There have been several revivals during the year, the fruits of which have been one hundred and seventy souls converted to God.

The expenses of this great church as to lighting, warming, etc., are, and will continue to be, a sore burden to St. Paul's congregation. If it were not for the large sums thus expended the church would be soon entirely self-supporting. Brother Thaarup and A. Christensen have labored untiringly, and the congregations are in a flourishing condition.

I sent Christian Jensen, one of the young men who graduated last year from our theological school, to Kallundborg, an ancient town containing five thousand inhabitants. We began work here shortly before Christmas in a dancing-hall, but such interest was manifested in our preaching that the hall was unable to contain all who came to the meetings. Our new friends soon resolved to build a church, which was dedicated on the 14th of July, unusual interest being evinced by the inhabitants on the occasion. The church accommodates four hundred, and is full every Sunday. There are already twenty probationers, and by the Lord's help we shall soon have a lively church in this place.

*Enkelund* is a country station of which one of our local preachers has had charge during the last year. We have a chapel here, and a good and faithful little church, which has almost entirely supported itself.

*Faaborg*. This little town of four thousand inhabitants has been one of our most unfruitful fields. Brother Johansen has labored on most faithfully, but old prejudices exert a powerful influence over the people—it being considered a disgrace to attend Methodist meetings; so the meetings are almost always sparsely attended. There are, however, a number of faithful members, and one of our sisters here has willed her house to the mission.

*Frederikshavn*. This town is our northernmost mission station in Denmark. It contains only about four thousand inhabitants, but, notwithstanding this fact, we have here our second largest church, with three hundred and forty-three members in full connection and forty probationers. There is a good church accommodating five hundred, and a parsonage. This town possesses one of the largest harbors in Denmark, and has direct communication with Sweden. The large amount of shipping and traffic makes this little town a very lively one. This busy liveliness characterizes the inhabitants, and also our church here. Brother Hansen, who is now pastor in charge, founded the mission here a few years ago. Only three men besides him have served this church, and when last year he was reappointed to this charge he was received with open arms by the people. There was a great revival last year, resulting in fifty-nine persons being received on probation.

*Horsens and Hornsyld*. Horsens is one of our largest towns, with about twenty thousand inhabitants. We have here a little mission-house containing also apartments for the pastor. But if the cause is to prosper

we must have a church here too. God has meanwhile blessed our young Brother Nielsen's work, so that there were forty conversions last winter, and twenty-three persons were received in full connection. Hornsyld is a country station where we have a chapel and a faithful little flock of believers.

*Holstebro.* This is one of our newer stations, and has been an unfruitful field until the last year, which has been a very blessed one. Here occurred the sad circumstance of the destruction of our chapel by fire last April, when the owner of the house perished in the flames. The house took fire at night while our sister and her three children were sleeping on the floor above the chapel. When she awoke the stairs were on fire. She saved the eldest child by lowering her with a rope from the window. The two younger ones were saved at the last moment, while the mother, who had remained in the burning house with her children, perished in the flames. We were homeless after this fire, but the Lord rules all things aright for those who trust in him. We have preached since the fire in public halls, and the Lord has arranged it so that a church and parsonage are now in process of erection. The congregation has grown during the last year from twenty-nine to forty-five in full connection, and ten on probation.

*Langeland* is an island where there is but one town, Rudkjøbing. We have hitherto had no work in this town, but have preached out in the country, where we have a chapel. During the last few years there has not been much progress. We have therefore rented a hall in Rudkjøbing and begun work in the town. Here the meetings have usually been well attended, a number of persons have been converted to God, and we trust that this town mission will help the work forward in Langeland.

*Lokken* is a fishing town on the North Sea. We have a good church here, and this is Brother J. Nielsen's fifth year of work among these people. There is a pretty good congregation, but the church is somewhat financially depressed on account of the North Sea fishing having been poor during the last few years. Several fishermen have consequently left the town; some have emigrated to America, while others have moved to other towns. Our little flock has thus been weakened, but we trust to see better times this year.

*Odense.* This town has a population of thirty thousand, and we have here our best church (Dollner's Memorial). The last year has been one of blessing to the church; eighty-nine persons have been converted to God, and fifty-one received in full connection. Brother J. Petersen, of Norway, served the congregation last year. Brother J. H. S. Jensen has been appointed to the charge this year, and he has the church crowded every Sunday.

*Svendborg* is one of our oldest stations, with about seven thousand inhabitants. We have here a good church and parsonage, and a number of faithful members. Brother H. Jacobsen has worked here for the last three years, and although there was not much progress last year, this year promises well, several persons having united with us since the Annual



Meeting. The church has done well financially, 3,030 crowns having been collected during the year, 1,191 crowns of which were given for self-support.

*Varde* lies on the west coast. Here the Lord did great things for us last year, the church being increased from twenty-nine to sixty members, with sixteen on probation. Our meeting-hall, over a stable, was most undesirable, but we have just built a good commodious church which will soon be dedicated. Brother L. Christensen has worked untiringly and trustfully, and his labors have been rewarded.

*Veile*. This church is old and reliable. Last year ninety persons were converted to God, and seventy-four received on probation. Brother A. Bast has labored devotedly throughout the year. I believe he would see yet greater recruits if we had a larger chapel. We have, in order to reach all those who desired to attend the meetings, preached in the woods around the town; here several hundreds have assembled to hear the preaching of the word. It was here that our Annual Meeting was held this summer; we were then obliged to rent a large public hall, where we held our services, and where Bishop Walden preached to a crowded house. His short stay in *Veile* has made an impression which will long be remembered by many grateful hearts. Methodism is a power in *Veile*. We long to be able to enlarge our chapel so as to accommodate seven hundred persons. This would increase our influence in the town.

In thus glancing over the mission it rejoices us to see good old-fashioned Methodism, or rather good old-fashioned Christianity, every-where. My motto is: Make Methodism known every-where, and the people will learn to love it. It shall be my endeavor to plant the banner of Methodism as soon as possible in every Danish town. The Lord and his children must help us in this undertaking.

*Our Theological School* began its third year's course on the 1st of August last with six new pupils. The examination held at the school from May 20 to 23 showed very good results. The school has been entirely supported this year by voluntary contributions, but the Lord has provided so bountifully that although the expenses amounted to 1,820 crowns, we were able to close the year's accounts with a balance of 342 crowns. The new school year began on the 1st of August with the same pupils in attendance, and we believe that the Lord will help us through this year, as he has done in the past.

*Our Book Concern* is progressing and our papers, *Kristelig Talsmand* and *Sondagsskolen*, have increased in circulation. Last year we printed and circulated about one million six hundred and twenty-one thousand five hundred pages of matter.

I entreat the Lord's children to pray for my fatherland, Denmark. We need thoroughly earnest Christianity. We see much outward profession of religion, little of which is evinced in daily life. Dear brothers and Fathers in Christ, do not forget our little country. Pray that the Lord's almighty Spirit may be poured out on our people, and this new year of mission work be wonderfully blessed to the salvation of thousands of souls! May the Lord grant us his grace for Christ's sake!

# STATISTICS OF DENMARK.

## CIRCUIT OF STATION.

Circuit or Station.	Native Unordained Preachers.		Native Teachers.		Other Helpers.		Members.	Probationers.	Adherents.	Average Attendance on Sunday Worship.	Conversions during the Year.	Adults Baptized.	Children Baptized.	No. of Theological Schools.	No. of Teachers in same.	No. of Students.	No. of Day-schools.	No. of Sabbath-schools.	No. of Sabbath Scholars.	No. of Churches and Chapels.	Estimated Value of Churches and Chapels.	† Crowns.	No. of Halls and other Places of Worship.	Parsonages, or "Homes."	Barnages, or "Homes."	Value of Orphanages, Schools, Hospitals, Book Rooms, etc.	Debt on Real Estate.	Collected for Missionary Society.	Collected for other Benevolent Societies.	Collected for Self-support.	Collected for Church Building and Repairing.	Contributed for other Local Purposes.	Pages Printed during the Year.	
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Aalborg	1			110	80	180	200	60	8											90		8				700		113	116	926	76	888	20,000	
Aarhus	1		8	65	25	75	150	30	4						2	165						8		1,106				100	12	472		245		
Copenhagen, Bethania.	1		1	115	45	75	150	50	9						2	475						2		2,335			253	107	1,778	81	1,503			
" St. Paul's.	1	1	5	354	74	200	950	125	21	1	3	6			7	725	1	225	000	12	1	45,000	1,150				502	306	2,575	456	2,467	1,621,500		
Enkeltund.		1	2	55	9	150	100	10	1	5					2	50	1	2,000	10	1	†	250	66			54	84	366		110				
Faaborg	1			36	4	85	80	5	1						1	45						8		500			60		296		138	200		
Fredrikshavn.	1	1	2	343	40	250	600	50	22					1	44	1	160	1	16,000	19	1	18,000	2,000	11,893		427	294	2,420	143	1,728				
Hornslyd			1	24	8	60	30	8							1	20	1	5,000	4	1	3,000					40	11	119		71				
Horsens		1		78	19	120	150	40	6						2	255	1	13,000	4	1	†		8,724		105	38	851	87	447					
Holstebro.		1	2	45	10	150	200	25	2						1	45						6				64		813	55	205				
Langeland		1	1	45	14	100	150	16	1						2	70	1	10,000	7			400				150	32	697		121				
Lokken		1		95	9	70	150	12	13						2	146	1	6,000	8			500				102	38	851		393				
Odense	1	1	2	210	89	160	250	89	7					1	82	1	200	1	27,000	1	†		7,500	12,000		415	121	1,425		1,395				
Svendborg	1		2	106	20	100	800	20	5							2	800	1	18,500	3	1	18,500				300	149	1,191	543	847				
Varde.	1		2	60	16	55	105	44	2							66						5	1	1,500	150	731	90	33	279	411	1,080			
Vejle		1	1	801	47	400	500	90	18						1	35	4	26,000	6	1	†					415	150	1,534	12	1,192				
This year	10	7	426	2,042	457	2,180	4,065	669	1,124	1	3	6	4	139	32	3,068	10	843,500	101	9	81,000	16,585	82,954	3,190	1,431	15,643	1,933	12,230	1,641,700					
Last year	10	5	625	1,764	289	2,380	3,865	508	1	88	1	2	5	5	212	28	2,752	10	845,500	95	8	79,500	12,900	86,722	3,144	8,031	14,616	2,082	8,011	1,455,000				

\* School and building lot.

† Value included in church value.

‡ Crown=36.8 cents.

# INDIA.

Commenced in 1856.

BISHOP THOBURN HAS EPISCOPAL SUPERVISION.

The North India Conference has again sustained a great loss in the death of one of its most earnest, devoted, and successful laborers. The Rev. B. H. Badley, D.D., Principal of Lucknow College, after a brave and protracted fight against consumption, was called to higher service November 20, 1891. He leaves a shining record of faithful labor and of heroic devotion to the work of God—a precious legacy to the dear ones who mourn his early departure.

Still greater successes have crowned the work of 1891 than those which so rejoiced the Church in 1890. Bishop Thoburn wrote from Poona, December 21, 1891 :

I have carefully avoided all exaggeration in reporting the work in India to the Church. When in America last year I stated that five hundred heathens were coming over to Christianity in our mission every month. The statistics showed that I was one hundred below the mark. Returning to India, I reported that ten thousand souls were ready to receive baptism if we could reach them. The baptisms thus far exceed sixteen thousand, and the final summing up may show eighteen thousand; and now as we near the threshold of another year we are confronted by twenty thousand heathens as ready for the Gospel as were the ten thousand a year ago.

This is indeed a surprising movement toward Christianity among great masses of people within our North India work. The indications are that it is to continue with increasing power.

## I.

### NORTH INDIA.

Commenced in 1856.

Organized as a Conference in 1864.

AGRA DISTRICT.—REV. J. E. SCOTT, P.E.

As far as the work of the Methodist Episcopal Church is concerned, Agra District, is a new field. Roughly speaking it is made up of parts of the four civil districts of Agra, Etah, Muttra, and Aligarh, lying along the Jumna River, and the regions about Ajmere, the capital of Rajputana. It was organized at the last session of the Conference by throwing

together Agra, Muttra, and Hathras, with their out-stations, belonging to the old Rohilkhund District of the North India Conference, and Ajmere, with its out-stations, transferred from the Bengal Conference. As a district it has a history of only about nine months. It may interest the Church to know what has been done in this short period, and to know something of the plans and prospects for the future.

The work is carried on from three central stations—Agra, Ajmere, and Muttra, each of which is the capital of a civil district of from eight hundred thousand to one million souls and the head-quarters of a missionary in charge. Connected with each of these centers are several sub-circuits with native preachers in charge. Under these preachers in charge, again, are numerous local preachers, exhorters, pastor-teachers, colporteurs, Bible-readers, etc., who work in the surrounding towns and villages, all under the supervision and direction of the missionary in charge, who not only works his own station but itinerates throughout the field. The presiding elder has acted not only as preacher in charge of Muttra, but, in addition to his duties as official head of the district, has traveled throughout the circuits doing the work of an evangelist. This has enabled him not only to plan his work, but to work his plan, and to make the Quarterly Conferences numerically what their name implies.

There are on the district about thirteen hundred native Christians, who live in about fifty towns and villages. There are thirty day-schools with an attendance of about eight hundred, and fifty Sunday-schools with fifteen hundred scholars. Among the workers of the district are four members of Conference, one local deacon, fourteen local preachers, seventeen exhorters, ten Christian teachers, and nineteen Bible-readers. A central boarding-school is maintained at Muttra, and all the schools are directed by Christian teachers; and the Moody schools especially have been successful as evangelistic agencies. A few statements are here made concerning each of the central stations in turn.

#### I.—AGRA CIRCUIT.

Population .....	2,000,000
Christian community .....	350
Communicants .....	150
Villages in which Christians live.....	15

#### NUMBER OF CHRISTIAN WORKERS.

Conference member.....	1
Local preachers.....	4
Exhorters.....	4
Christian teachers .....	5
Bible-readers.....	5

*Agra* is organized with three Quarterly Conferences; two (one English and one Hindustani) at Agra City, and the third among the villages about Jaleswar. On the 10th of July last the Rev. F. H. Northrop, preacher in charge of Agra Circuit, a devout and zealous missionary, who had been but seventeen months in the field, suddenly died of heat apoplexy. He fell in the midst of his work—a work containing many encouraging features



and full of promise for the future. The place thus so suddenly vacated placed additional responsibility upon the presiding elder, making him really preacher in charge and paymaster of two out of the three centers of his district. But the Lord is not slack concerning his promises. The work has gone forward. Kind brethren have supplied the English work. The native preachers and teachers continue their work. Baptisms are frequent; the new converts are growing in spirituality and intelligence, and the outlook for the future is good.

## II.—AJMERE CIRCUIT.

Population.....	2,000,000
Christian community.....	450
Communicants.....	200
Villages in which Christians live.....	20

### NUMBER OF CHRISTIAN WORKERS.

Conference members.....	2
Local preachers.....	4
Exhorters.....	8
Christian teachers.....	3
Bible-readers.....	4

At *Ajmere* the Rev. James Lyon, preacher in charge, has under him not only the work of his own station, both English and Hindustani, but the two sub-circuits of Sri Nagar and Kishangarh. At Ajmere he has associated with him a native minister and two European local preachers. His field is a fruitful one, and while, as elsewhere on the district, the converts are mostly from among the poor, yet many of them have a zeal for the work; and six of them have been counted worthy to receive licenses to exhort. In Ajmere City several wards have Christian communities in them, and especially about Rupnagar outside numerous inquirers have come forward, some of whom been entertained and received by baptism, while others have been held back only because of the lack of workers to train them.

## III.—MUTTRA CIRCUIT.

Population.....	1,500,000
Christian community.....	500
Communicants.....	250
Villages in which Christians live.....	20

### NUMBER OF CHRISTIAN WORKERS.

Conference member.....	1
Local deacon.....	1
Local preachers.....	6
Exhorters.....	5
Christian teachers.....	2
Bible-readers.....	10

The success of the work at *Muttra*, considering the time the work has been in progress, has been encouraging. There are Christian communities at all the shrine centers but one. Every place attempted has yielded fruit. In the heart of the city of Muttra a site for a school building and hall has been secured. The Christian Boys' Boarding-School is doing a

good work. The English work has resulted in about fifty conversions. In Hathras, a sub-circuit under a local deacon, there have been numerous converts during the nine months. A Butler chapel has been built at a cost of \$50, in which meets a Christian school. The District Conference and camp-meeting will meet here in November. Concerning the whole work, the churches already established and others forming, the recent converts who have been baptized and the numerous inquirers at the door, the evangelistic work and workers, the secular and Sunday-schools, and all the multifarious agencies and forces at work, it must be said there are many reasons to be encouraged and to take a hopeful view of the future. The greatest need is more and better workers. The greatest weakness is the poverty and ignorance of the people and lack of ability and disposition on the part of the converts to support their own teachers. It would be suicidal to baptize without training. But training implies trainers. These must be forthcoming, and be paid. It is easier to reap than to garner. On this live question the policy of the Agra District is to raise up workers from among the converts, and expect the churches to pay at least something toward their support.

ALIGURH DISTRICT.—REV. HASSAN RAZA KHAN, P.E.

#### APPOINTMENTS.

KASGUNJ CIRCUIT.—Hassan Raza Khan, 1 preacher, and 6 pastor-teachers.

SORON CIRCUIT.—Tika Singh, 2 preachers and 4 pastor-teachers.

PATIALA CIRCUIT.—Five pastor-teachers.

ALIGUNJ CIRCUIT.—Kallu and 3 pastor-teachers.

SIKANDRA RAO CIRCUIT.—Mohan Lall, 1 preacher, and 5 pastor-teachers.

ALIGURH CIRCUIT.—Taj Khan and 10 pastor-teachers.

ATRAULI CIRCUIT.—Bhola Singh and 7 pastor-teachers.

ETAH CIRCUIT.—Wahid Ullah Khan and 5 pastor-teachers.

This is a new district, comprising the old Kasgunj Circuit and most of the zillah of Aligurh. The field is a very interesting one, as the number of inquiring classes is very great. When I first came to this field there were but fifteen converts, and work opened in but one town. Now there are eight circuits, and we have a Christian community of three thousand and ninety, living in one hundred and twenty-five villages.

These converts are fast adopting Christian customs ; they attend service and send their children to be taught in the schools. My great perplexity is to know how to properly teach all these people. We have now only forty-five workers for these one hundred and twenty-five villages, and hence it is difficult to give all the children the advantages of a school, or to give regular religious services within the reach of all. The people give to aid the work, but still it is difficult to provide pastor-teachers for all.

During 1891 one thousand five hundred have been baptized, and there are

still many inquirers. I therefore ask all my brethren at home to reflect upon what the Lord is giving us, and to lend a helping hand.

We have fifty primary schools in the district, in which one thousand two hundred and twenty-two students are taught. Out of these nine hundred and thirty are Christians. The remainder are not Christians, but desire to be taught. The teachers of these schools also do the pastoral work for their village or villages. I have personally inspected each of these schools.

We have seventy-six Sunday-schools, with two thousand and eighty-five pupils. Will all readers of this remember us and our work on this district?

#### AMROHA DISTRICT.—REV. ZAHUR-UL-HAQQ, P.E.

Six ordained preachers, sixteen circuits, forty preachers and pastor-teachers.

This is also a portion of the old Rohilkhund District with the zillah of Bulandshahr. All the work is in charge of natives; no foreign missionary resides within the district. The work is in rural districts, and is like the work of the Moradabad District. It is repetition to repeat the work of each circuit, as it is so like the other districts where work is spreading rapidly. There are in the district sixteen circuits, and Christians are living in two hundred and sixty-nine different villages and towns. There are six ordained preachers and forty native preachers and Christian teachers in the regular work. One thousand one hundred and one have been baptized this year, and the entire Christian community numbers three thousand and forty-nine. There are in the district eighty-three Sunday-schools and ninety-six day-schools, most of them being for Christians and inquirers. The presiding elder has traveled much through his field, and is trying to make the work all tell for saving souls and building up the church.

The work in the Bulandshahr Circuit is not as old as that on the Moradabad side, yet the work is of great promise. The work opened during 1890 on Mr. Ingram's estates is being carried forward with zeal and much prayer. It is supported by Mr. and Mrs. Ingram, and they have during this year erected good houses for the work. They are now arranging to extend this work to their other estates. The field is new, and much work has to be done, but we have strong faith in speedy results.

#### BAREILLY DISTRICT.—REV. P. T. WILSON, P.E.

P.-O., Budaon.

BAREILLY CIRCUIT.—*Missionaries*, T. J. Scott and S. S. Dease. *Assistant Missionaries*, Mrs. T. J. Scott and Mrs. S. S. Dease.

W. F. M. S.—Misses F. M. English, M. Christiancy, M.D., Anna E. Lawson, 4 assistants, 19 native Christian women, 63 native preachers, including students in theological seminary, and 9 Christian teachers not reckoned in the above.

AONLA CIRCUIT.—Nand Ram Silas (died during the year), 7 preachers, and 16 Christian teachers, occupying 14 stations.

W. F. M. S.—Seven native Christian women.

SHAHJAHANPORE CIRCUIT.—*Missionary*, N. L. Rockey. *Assistant Missionary*, Mrs. Rockey. Eight preachers, 12 Christian teachers.

W. F. M. S.—Three assistants, 10 native Christian women.

BOYS' ORPHANAGE.—*Missionary*, John Blackstock. Two native preachers and 10 Christian teachers.

W. F. M. S.—Two native Christian women.

PANAHPORE CIRCUIT.—H. J. Adams, 10 preachers, and 4 Christian teachers, occupying 8 stations in the circuit.

W. F. M. S.—Seven native Christian women.

JALALABAD CIRCUIT.—H. K. List, 2 preachers, and 7 Christian teachers, occupying 9 stations.

W. F. M. S.—Six native Christian women.

BUDAON CIRCUIT.—*Missionary*, E. T. Wilson. *Assistant Missionary*, Mrs. P. T. Wilson. Nine preachers and 41 Christian teachers.

W. F. M. S.—Two assistants and 16 native Christian women.

DATA-GANJ.—Chheda Lall, 2 preachers, and 10 Christian teachers.

W. F. M. S.—Two Christian women.

UJHANI CIRCUIT.—F. Pressgrave and 22 Christian teachers.

W. F. M. S.—Three Christian women.

KAKRALA CIRCUIT.—James Jordan, 2 preachers, and 5 Christian teachers, occupying 5 centers.

W. F. M. S.—Four Christian women.

BILSI CIRCUIT.—Charles Shipley, 4 preachers, and 8 Christian teachers, occupying 8 stations.

W. F. M. S.—Five Christian women.

BISAU LI CIRCUIT.—B. F. Cocker, 6 preachers, and 4 teachers, occupying 12 stations.

W. F. M. S.—Four Christian women.

MOHAMDI CIRCUIT.—C. Hancock, 4 preachers, and 3 teachers, occupying 4 stations.

W. F. M. S.—Three Christian women.

KHERA BAJHERA CIRCUIT.—Fazal Ullah and 2 teachers, occupying 2 stations.

W. F. M. S.—One Christian woman.

TILHAR CIRCUIT.—Chhidu S. Paul, 1 preacher, and 7 teachers, in 7 centers.

W. F. M. S.—Two Christian women.

PAWAYAN CIRCUIT.—Bihari Lal, 1 preacher, and 5 Christian teachers, occupying 6 places.

W. F. M. S.—Two Christian women.

The past year has been full of blessings from our heavenly Father. All



our missionaries have been kept in health, and have been able to continue their labors for the Lord.

Brother Nand Ram Silas, native minister of Aonla Circuit, died during the year. He was a good and active man, and though for weeks laid low with consumption, still he continued to supervise his work till the day of his death, thus being literally called from labor to reward.

Our baptisms in this district up to date have been two thousand six hundred. And from every side we hear the call, "Give us pastor-teachers, and come and baptize us;" and sometimes we cannot heed these calls for months for want of funds to employ pastor-teachers to care for and build up these new converts.

We are thankful to Dr. Peck for all the help he has been able to give us in this respect during the year. We still hope that many, after having given their full share to our mission treasury, will add \$30 or \$60 to employ one or two pastor-teachers needed in every part of our field.

We are also under continued obligations to Dr. Goucher for continued aid in Christian schools, which are a source of great blessings to our people.

In this district evangelistic work has been carried on among all classes, so a few from the so-called good castes have become Christians from time to time. But still Hinduism, as represented by the orthodox Brahman, the Buniya, etc., stands apparently almost untouched. So, too, while we have had many converts from Mohammedanism, with few exceptions these have been from such families as were originally Hindus or of the less influential classes, while the descendants of the "prophet" and other tribes who came from the north-west of India remain almost untouched in their delusion. The Thakurs, however, begin to yield to the power of truth, and there have been many conversions from among them during the past years. So there is hope that this conviction will grow among them till as a tribe they may become Christians. While there have been a few converts from among these people in every part of this district, the more hopeful field, as it regards this class just now, seems to be Panahpore Circuit, where the Christian village of Panahpore seems to have made an excellent impression upon the Thakurs of that region.

More than twenty years ago the gospel seed fell among the sweepers in the Budaon zillah, and some families became Christians. Since then the work has grown and spread, till now some five thousand out of the seventeen thousand in this zillah have become Christians. There are about thirty-five thousand of these people in my district, all accessible to gospel truth; and their conversion is largely a matter of reaching them and giving them gospel truth consecutively; but from the fact that they live one or more families in villages all over the country it requires a large force to reach them all with the truth.

The work among the Chumars is nearly as old as that among the sweepers. Some of our reliable preachers were converted from among the Chumars in the Budaon zillah many years ago. The relatives of these first families have many of them been converted, but converts from this

class have met with much persecution from their relatives and caste people, so that for all these years it has not been practical for the convert to remain among his people and pursue his calling; hence the convert, turned out of house and home, had to seek help or service from the missionary. This was a bar to any extensive success among the Chumars. But the indications are that the door is opening to this large class (for there are now in the Budaon zillah alone one hundred and thirty-three thousand of these people, and in the whole Bareilly District over two hundred and sixty thousand). What a field of labor to seek the conversion of this whole tribe!

We have some seven thousand Christians in this district. How to build up these for Christ's kingdom is our thought; to lift them up and fit them for citizenship, and to become intelligent Christians, we must give them the Bible and educate them. Our youth, for the most part, on account of their former caste, would not be allowed to attend government schools, and hence we have ourselves to provide for their education. Our Goucher and pastor-teacher schools give them a start, but this awakens within the pupils a desire to become Christian men; then they come to the central station seeking a more thorough education. Thanks to the forethought of the ladies, we have good boarding-schools for girls at three central stations in this district, that is, Shahjahanpore, Bareilly and Budaon, with an attendance of some three hundred and eighty Christian girls.

So, too, there will of necessity grow up the same central institutions for boys. We are about done with educational work, save as it is needful to build up our Christian youth. The Budaon region is ripe for this Boys' Boarding-school. I had funds to care for some twenty boys, but the desire for education has taken hold upon the lads from eight to twelve years of age, and they come to Budaon begging to be admitted into the Boys' Boarding-school. I have not been able to say "No" to any suitable candidate, and the result is I have now sixty-five lads seeking to become Christian men; and still they come! What am I to do? Shall I turn them away? I have no funds for the hundreds who will seek admission. I have a notion God wants me to admit them; if so, he will provide the money. I need \$15 for every boy for twelve months, or \$1,500 annually for each one hundred boys. Will the Lord give it to me? We will see. I shall trust him, the God of the whole earth. "The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof."

I find myself in another difficulty: I have no dormitories for these boys, and I must arise and build. A gentleman has given me \$50 to build a small chapel in which their daily services will be held; four to five more would relieve me of my trouble, as I propose with such sums to build of *adobe* or sun-dried bricks.

I might write a long report and speak of our Orphanage, our Sunday-schools with seven thousand pupils, of our melas and camp-meetings and itinerations, and of our Epworth Leagues, all of which have their place in evangelical and pastoral work, tending to the upbuilding of the Church of Christ in this land.

I might also add we are greatly indebted to those elect ladies, the wives of missionaries, and the ladies of the W. F. M. S., for important services rendered in every department, without which service our work would have been but half done.

Our Christians are poor, but are being taught to give something for the support of the Gospel. In most circuits the pastor is supported in whole or in part by these collections. In the Budaon Circuit the village Christians give of whatever they chance to have—grain, chickens, pigs, or a few pice—so that we have a pastor and assistant pastor wholly supported by these gifts and what our workers contribute.

Brother N. L. Rockey, of Shahjahanpore, writes :

Two new circuits, Tilhar and Pawayan, were taken out of Shahjahanpore Circuit this year. We have work in all parts of the district except two. We have inquirers in these, but so far have been able to get no house, either on rent or by purchase. One new station, Khutar, has been opened, but with great opposition. We could not rent; we fortunately secured land, but the bigoted people interfered with our building, and, as in other places, refused us the right of drawing water from wells. We had six law-suits over water and land this year, and gained or settled all amicably except one that I appealed to a higher court, with every hope of success. None of my seven years has been as full of persecution and worry, and none so plentifully fruitful and interesting. Khutar is especially promising, being the center of a large unoccupied district.

Till now we have not reached any of the indigenous people of Shahjahanpore, but this year there have been several interesting baptisms, and we think the whole of the lower caste in the city are moving in a body to us. We have baptisms and encouragement where the gospel seed for thirty years has been falling in apparently sterile soil.

Our baptisms in this circuit will be as many in number if not more than any former year before it was divided. A day or two ago a man came to get me to baptize forty persons whom he, a new unpaid convert, had persuaded to come with him. The work is in family lines. Andrew findeth Peter, and Philip, Nathanael, from point to point throughout the district.

Rev. T. J. Scott, D.D., Principal of our Theological Seminary and Normal School, reports :

This institution has a full three years' course; the normal department sends out trained teachers; women are trained as teachers and Bible-readers. The seminary year begins in January and ends in December, and is divided into two terms. Faculty: Rev. T. J. Scott, M.A., D.D., principal; Rev. S. S. Dease, professor of exegesis and church history; Rev. H. L. Mukerji, assistant in seminary and head master in Normal School. Five other native instructors.

Our present attendance is sixty-six in the Theological School, twenty-three in the normal department, and forty-seven women, the wives of the

students, who are pursuing a course of study to fit them to work with their husbands. We have sent out two hundred native missionaries and forty-nine Christian teachers. As pastors and evangelists these are scattered over an extensive territory, and are the leaders in the great movement which is bringing thousands annually into the Church. Our great problem is to raise up an effective ministry of pastors and evangelists; for these they must be, qualified in doctrine and discipline, to direct this movement. Unless the evangelization of India is to be deferred for centuries vast numbers must turn to Christ in short periods. We realize the importance of our work. We are seeking in every possible way to make this institution a place for effective training. The Normal School turns out annually a small number of teachers. The woman's school, under Mrs. Scott, and assisted by Mrs. Mukerji and three other teachers, is preparing the wives of the students for a good work.

The pressure on the school for preachers is so great that our Conference has ordered the preparation of an additional short course for men, who may spend but one year in the seminary. We are now taking students on such a course, and as funds admit will enlarge the classes. All this means more teaching force and the general expansion of this institution to meet the growing want. In study and work our institution is a busy hive. In addition to study the students are engaged in regular preaching, act as tract distributors, teach in Sunday-schools, and some of them aid in preparing matter for the press. A college Young Men's Christian Association was organized in January, during Mr. Wishard's visit, and this has given an impulse to additional forms of Christian work.

We record with pleasure the fact that almost all our students not only make good progress in their studies, but also in spiritual life. They leave us with more humility, patience, zeal, and love in their hearts. Our prayer is thus answered that the institution may become a great spiritual blessing to students.

A pressing need for money is upon us. Last year we were obliged to build a lecture-hall and line of dormitories, for which we are in debt \$3,000. A similar hall and dormitories are still needed. Otherwise we are at a dead-lock. As candidates come for training we must have places in which they may live and be taught. Besides, funds are much needed for teachers and for scholarships and the general wants of such an institution. The marked indications are that God is to give Methodism a wonderful career also in the salvation of India's two hundred and sixty millions of souls. We are calling for 50,000 rupees.

#### KUMAUN DISTRICT.—REV. T. CRAVEN, P.E.

NAINI TAL.—*Missionary*, Rev. T. Craven. *Native Minister*, Rev. Patrus, and 7 native preachers.

DWARAATH, *Native Preacher*, Shib Dutt, and 6 assistants.

EASTERN KUMAUN.—*Native Minister*, Rev. H. K. Wilson, and 4 native preachers.



W. F. M. S.—Miss Budden and Miss Reed.

PAORI.—*Missionary*, Rev. J. H. Gill.

*Native Ministers*, Rev. F. W. Greenwold and S. Lawrence, and 12 native preachers.

The Rev. J. H. Messmore, Presiding Elder of the Kumaun District and pastor of the English Church, in the early part of the year very kindly exchanged with the Rev. H. C. Stuntz, editor of the *Indian Witness*, Calcutta, whose eyes had incapacitated him for the close work the *Witness* demanded of him. The colleagues of our brother in the hills as well as the people of his congregation, while deeply regretting his departure, were glad to be able to keep in communication with him through the *Witness*.

Within the Kumaun District boundary the Methodist Episcopal Church has a very important English work in all of its increasing forms. In Naini Tal the Rev. H. C. Stuntz has acted as pastor of the English Church. Besides the increasing number of adult attendants, one hundred and fifty of the best youths of India form part of his congregation; the church has prospered in all of its temporal and spiritual interests, and it has bravely grappled with the issues of intemperance in the community.

The two English schools have been assigned high positions among their sister institutions of India by the government inspector. The Boys' High-school, Rev. F. W. Foote, principal, has enjoyed exceptional prosperity during the year; the numbers have increased, the scholarship has been raised, and the administration has called for the special commendation of the inspector, who in summing up the results of his examination found the school had earned 500 rupees more grant-in-aid than it had in the year previous. To the Girls' School, Miss S. A. Easton, principal, the same remarks may apply. A full attendance, scholarship and administration commended; and here an extra grant-in-aid of 600 rupees has been earned for 1892. It gives us special pleasure to note the revival the Girls' High-school has enjoyed, and the religious quickening which has reached the Boys' School. It seems to us that the time prayed for has come when from these institutions there may go forth boys and girls, educated and converted, to influence the native community for good.

With regard to the native work in this district, its circuit divisions have remained unchanged, but the sub-circuits of the Paori Circuit have increased. *Paori Circuit* has remained in charge of the Rev. J. H. Gill, who finds the school work developing beyond his ability to accommodate it. In the days of the beginning no such increase was planned for as it has been blessed with. The Girls' Boarding-school, provided for a dozen girls, has to accommodate sixty girls. The mission compound is crowded, and the conservative villagers on the borders refuse to sell their land. The famine from which the mission suffered last year has been a cause of hinderance to the work. In their distress and poverty the people were unable to attend the usual religious gatherings, called Christian melas. However, Brother Gill, with his preachers, made nine marches to District Conference, reported good work accomplished, some sixty baptisms, the Christian youth of both sexes banded into Epworth Leagues, the character of

Christians and preachers being developed, and some very promising young men giving themselves to the preaching of God's word.

Our visit to Pithoragarh, descending into valleys and scaling heights to get there, was an itinerary not to be forgotten. The work here is in charge of the Rev. Harkua Wilson, native minister, a careful administrator in all that regards the requirements of the Discipline. Besides attending to the regular work of this station Brother Wilson has made several trips into the native State of Nepaul, and has made one trip this year into Thibet. His knowledge of medicine and his successful treatment of cases, as well as his kind Christian consideration of their wants, makes him a popular man among this people. The work, as might be expected, is prospering, and promises a much larger ingathering than we have had hitherto.

The institution of the mission in this place is the large industrial farm school and home by Miss Budden. The influence going out from this lady's work is most salutary. Young women as well as young men are being trained to do God's work ; as in Paori, and other parts of the field, so here the children are receiving special care.

In Pithoragarh, Dwarahath, Paori, and Naini Tal upper primary and middle class Anglo-vernacular schools are maintained ; and more advanced students attend the Christian College, Lucknow ; and those intending to enter the ministry are transferred to the Theological School at Bareilly. Several of our hill boys are now found in these valuable institutions, and others are to follow. Primary schools are organized when called for, and Sunday-schools are organized wherever there is a day-school. In connection with this work of Sunday-schools we have been brought to see the value of our own college and high-schools for the youth intended for our work. The head masters of Naini Tal and Paori Anglo-vernacular schools were educated in the Centenary Christian College of Lucknow. Their experience in Sunday-school labor while attending that institution has given those points of our work valuable Sunday-school men. Had they been compelled to go to other missions or to a government college, they never could have acquired the experience or realized the interest in this valuable work of the Sunday-school.

The District Conference just closed showed in the reports made by the brethren, in the inquiries instituted, in the conservative action of the native brethren while passing upon the character of others, and upon promotions proposed, in the whole tenor of business and in the spirit manifested, progress and development of a decided character.

Among the many cases of conversion and baptism, particular mention may be made of the humble disciple Jai Dutt, who, after being an inquirer for years, went to Moradabad and received baptism at the beginning of the year. As he expected, he has had to meet his persecutors and false accusers, who have tried in every way to obtain his removal from the situation he held in the government treasury office, and from his rightful ownership in his estate. His devotion to God and his good common sense have been manifest in all these trials. His wife and family, who have

been kept from him by his relations, are expected to join him; and, thus united, he says his joy now abounding will be complete, and they all will obtain the eternal life, compared to which the trials he has suffered are not to be considered.

#### MORADABAD DISTRICT.—REV. J. C. BUTCHER, P.E.

The Moradabad District covers the whole of the Bijnor zillah, the eastern part of the Moradabad, and a portion of the Tarai and of the native State of Rampur. This territory last year contained five circuits, but this year the old Bijnor Circuit has been divided into six, and the Khundarkhi Circuit has been cut off from the Moradabad, so that there are now eleven circuits; and, as soon as arrangements can be made, the intention is to cut off three more circuits from the Moradabad. The work has been steadily and almost uniformly progressive. Each of the circuits is in charge of an ordained preacher, and each of them has been blessed with many conversions from heathenism. The Bijnor part of the work has been largely in the hands of the Rev. J. B. Thomas, who has acted as treasurer and general superintendent of the greater part of the zillah. We give an epitome of the work by circuits:

1. *Basta*, Bijnor zillah, in charge of Rev. Lucius Cutler. The town of Tajpur was cut off from the circuit to help form the Seohara Circuit. But four hundred and eighty-four native Christians are reported as living in forty-three villages, one hundred and sixty-five of whom have been baptized this year.

2. *Bijnor*, in charge of Rev. J. B. Thomas, assisted by the Rev. Dilwar Singh. Three hundred and ninety-nine Christians live in seventeen villages, one hundred and eighty-five of whom have been baptized this year. The Boys' Elementary Boarding-school continues to flourish; eight boys have been sent to the Moradabad High-school, and forty still remain on the roll. The Girls' Boarding-school has reached the largest enrollment in its history, there being seventy now in attendance; besides, four have been married, one sent to the Training-school at Matpura, one to the Medical College at Agra, and one to the Girls' High-school, Moradabad.

3. *Chandausi*, in the Moradabad zillah, in charge of Rev. Kallu Dass. Four hundred and ninety-eight Christians in thirty-six villages and towns, two hundred and five of whom have been baptized this year. Chandausi is an important city and railroad center, which has become famous as the site of our annual camp-meeting, but, independent of that, an important work is being carried on in the city itself, as is shown by the fact that we have one hundred and ninety-one Christians living in nine mohallas or wards. This is one of the places where considerable work has been done among the Chamars, and, as usual, a good deal of opposition has been provoked by a number of baptisms; but the great work has been done among the sweepers, who gladly receive the word.

4. *Dhampur*, in the Bijnor zillah, in charge of the Rev. Bahadur Singh Philip. Two hundred and fifty-two Christians in twenty-five villages and towns, one hundred and seventy-two of whom have been baptized this

year. The pargana of Seohara was cut off from this circuit this year to form the Seohara Circuit. There are still two large towns—Dhampur and Nihtaur—left in the circuit, and some two hundred villages.

5. *Khundarkhi*, in the Moradabad zillah, in charge of Rev. H. B. Mitchell. Here was an old work among the Chamars; lately the cause has taken on new life by the brethren giving more attention to the sweepers, but the one hundred and twenty-five baptisms have been among both classes. There are now two hundred and twenty-nine Christians living in twenty-nine villages.

6. *Mandawar*, in the Bijnor zillah, in charge of Rev. D. Buck. This is one of the older circuits, and is the only one in the district reporting fewer baptisms than last year. This, however, is no reflection on the work of this year, as the preacher in charge last year had lived in Mandawar for many years, and the unusual number of baptisms was owing to his personal influence. The work this year has been more normal, and such as we may expect to continue. One thousand and twenty-one Christians live in seventy-one villages, two hundred and sixteen of whom have been baptized this year. The people appear to be growing in grace and becoming established in the faith. The converts heretofore have been almost exclusively from the sweepers, but this year we have also had some from the Brahmins, Jats, Thakurs, and Chamars.

7. *Moradabad* is, of course, the center of the district, in charge of Rev. H. A. Cutting. Here, in a large city, are all the departments of regular mission work, and a large, flourishing Boys' High-school, containing, with its preparatory school, nearly three hundred boys, over half of whom are Christians. This school continues to grow in importance and efficiency. At the last government examinations five boys passed the university matriculation examinations, three of whom were Christians, and eight passed the middle examination, two of whom were Christians. The school is now almost as full as the government rules allow, without largely increasing our staff. The Girls' High-school is one of the best in the mission; there are about one hundred and fifty in attendance, and a class is now being prepared for the university matriculation examination. As intimated above, the circuit is now very large and will soon be divided. We have one thousand two hundred and sixty-nine Christians living in sixty-five villages, two hundred and eighty-seven of whom have been baptized this year.

8. *Nagina*, in the Bijnor zillah, in charge of Rev. W. T. Speeke. Four hundred and thirty-three Christians in twenty-eight villages, two hundred and sixteen of them baptized this year. This is the largest and most flourishing of the outside circuits. Nagina is the largest and most central town in the Bijnor District. There are also four other centers where we have workers living. The spiritual condition of our people in this circuit is better than in most parts, and we look for many good workers and evangelists to be developed among them.

9. *Najibabad*, in the Bijnor zillah, in charge of Rev. B. McGregor. This is a large town, but the smallest of all our circuits. We have a flourish-



ing Boys' primary Anglo-vernacular School, and a good zenana work; and lately a good work has been begun among the sweepers. There are one hundred and thirty-eight Christians in thirteen villages, seventy of whom have been baptized during the past year.

10. *Seohara*, in the Bijnor zillah, in charge of Rev. Jhabbu Lal. A new circuit, formed at the expense of the Dampur and Basta Circuits. There are three hundred and twenty-six Christians living in twenty-four villages, two hundred and five of whom have been baptized this year. The two centers of this circuit are Seohara and Tajpur, while another large railroad town, Sahispur, we hope to occupy in the near future.

11. *Sherkot*, in the Bijnor zillah, in charge of Rev. P. Merrill. Three hundred and thirty-four Christians in nineteen villages, one hundred and thirty-six of whom have been baptized this year. This circuit includes three large towns (each of which is occupied by our workers, and each is a natural center), Sherkot, Afzalgarh, and Rehar.

The statistics given above are from October 1, 1890, to September 30, 1891. The Conference official statistics will not be given till December 31, so will be much higher than these. The summary of the above is 1,982 baptisms, 1,365 of which were in the Bijnor zillah; and 5,383 Christians, of whom 3,387 were in Bijnor. We realize the importance of training this multitude for God, and, so far as possible, teachers and preachers are sent to instruct them. We are glad to acknowledge that the Lord continues to raise up from among the new converts many who become evangelists to the regions beyond.

#### ODDH DISTRICT.—REV. E. W. PARKER, P.E.

LUCKNOW.—*Missionaries*, Rev. B. H. Badley, Rev. W. A. Mansell. *Native Pastor*, Rev. Matthew Stephen. Revs. Chimman Lal and Yaqub Shah, native members of Conference, with 8 native preachers and 10 Christian teachers.

METHODIST PUBLISHING HOUSE.—*Agent*, Rev. J. W. Waugh, D.D. *Manager*, Rev. J. A. Stagg. *English Church*, Rev. G. F. Hopkins. *Christian College and High-school*, B. H. Badley, D.D., W. A. Mansell, M.A., with 10 Christian teachers.

W. F. M. S.—*Women's College and High-school*, Miss Thoburn, Miss Perrine, with 8 Christian teachers. *Deaconesses' Home*, Miss Rowe, Miss Sullivan. *City Schools*, Mrs. Waugh. *Rafiq-i-Niswan*, Mrs. Badley.

SITAPUR.—*Missionary*, Rev. D. C. Monroe. Nine native preachers and 5 Christian teachers.

W. F. M. S.—*Boarding-schools*, Mrs. Monroe. *City Work*, Miss Fuller.

GONDA.—*Missionary*, Rev. S. Knowles. *Native Minister*, Rev. Bihari Lal. Ten native preachers and 6 Christian teachers.

ROI BAREILLY.—*Native Ministers*, Revs. W. R. Bowen, Isa Das. Six native preachers and 2 Christian teachers.

BAHRAICH.—*Native Ministers*, Revs. W. M. Peters, S. Wheeler. Six native preachers and 2 Christian teachers.

HARDOI.—*Native Ministers*, Revs. S. Tupper, E. T. Farnon. Four native preachers.

CAWNPORE.—*Missionary*, Rev. R. Hoskins. *Native Minister*, Chunni Lal. *Pastor*, Ganga Nath, with 10 preachers and 10 Christian teachers.

W. F. M. S.—*Christian Girls' School*, Miss Kyle. *Native Church*, Mrs. Hopkins.

CAWNPORE ENGLISH CHURCH.—*Missionary*, Rev. J. E. Newsom, with 1 local preacher and 8 exhorters. *English Girls' High-school*, Miss McBurnie.

UNAO.—*Native Minister*, Rev. J. W. McGregor. Seven native preachers and 5 Christian teachers.

BARABANKI.—*Native Minister*, Rev. Stephen Paul. Seven native preachers and 4 Christian teachers.

LAKHIMPORE.—*Native Minister*, Rev. Kanhai Singh. Three native preachers and 4 Christian teachers.

ALLAHABAD.—*Missionary*, L. A. Core. Three native preachers and 2 Christian teachers.

AJUDHIYA.—*Native Minister*, Rev. A. C. Paul. Three native preachers and 2 Christian teachers.

The Oudh District contains the greater portion of the entire Province of Oudh, and the two large counties of Cawnpore and Allahabad. It has thus far proved a very hard field to work. While the much smaller Province of Rohilkund contains some twenty thousand converts, gathered in since Dr. Butler opened this field, Oudh contains only two thousand. There is, however, much in this work to encourage the workers, and in many places the work is taking a new start. The field contains eleven missionaries, fourteen native members of Conference, seventy-three native preachers in the regular work, seventy-seven women Bible-readers, and one hundred and eight Christian teachers. Our schools—which are as auxiliaries and form a large portion of the work—consist of a college and high-school for boys, and two for girls, with thirteen middle grade schools, and eighty smaller day-schools for boys and fifty-five for girls, with five thousand two hundred and ninety-six pupils in attendance. Lucknow is our center, and it is especially a center for schools. Dr. Badley, who is in charge of our boys' college, sends the following report, to which we call especial attention :

#### LUCKNOW CHRISTIAN COLLEGE.

I. The year has been one of interest. The enrollment (first and second years' classes) has been forty-eight, an advance of fifty per cent. over last year. The percentage of Christian students remains the same, one fourth. Including the high-school, the enrollment has been about four hundred. The health of the principal has continued poor, and again the vice-principal has had extra burdens to carry. Temporary help was secured for a short time. The principal has been able to keep the college and school accounts, carry on the general correspondence with home patrons and

other friends, and has had some little success in soliciting funds for the institution.

One of our old students, Mr. I. Angelo, M.A., who matriculated from our school several years since, has this year taken his M.A. degree from Canning College, and has been appointed professor of mathematics in our college. He has been helped by the Board of Education, and will now be able to help other worthy young men in our native Church. He is well prepared for the work before him.

2. *The New Building.*—The Board of Trustees, at a special meeting held in January last, decided to proceed at once with the erection of the building. Dr. Parker and Dr. Waugh were appointed the Building Committee, both experienced builders and skilled financiers; they have assumed the pleasant but heavy burdens assigned, and have urged the contractors forward. The latter (Frizzoni & Co.) promise to have the building finished by the end of 1891.

We have no hesitation in asking the friends of education in India for help in erecting this building. The larger part of the cost (50,000 rupees) will come from America, but there are many in this land—a host of Christian givers, ever ready to help in such enterprises, especially where the object is to assist the young in obtaining an education—who we are assured will gladly help us. Our institution is for all the Churches, not for a single denomination; it is the Lucknow Christian College. We expect to enroll European as well as native students; our aim is to make the influence of the institution as far-reaching as possible.

Donations to the building fund, large or small, will be thankfully received by the principal, vice-principal, or any member of the Board of Trustees. In round numbers, the sum of 15 rupees will place a thousand bricks in the walls. It is hoped that quite a number of Sunday-schools will take stock in the enterprise, at least to this extent. Thus far the banner Sunday-school is that at Rangoon, which has sent 45 rupees.

We naturally expect considerable help from our native Christian friends, as the college is primarily theirs, to help in their mental and spiritual elevation and prosperity. At a public meeting held in Lucknow, quite a number indicated their willingness to give *two days' income* to the building fund. This in the end will yield a good sum. On every hand, great pleasure is experienced in the fact that the building is well on toward completion.

The members of the Rohilkund District Epworth League and of the Oudh District Epworth League have voted the *two days' income*, and we expect this to soon become a popular topic of conversation throughout our mission among both young and old.

We have great confidence in our friends in America. A large-hearted gentleman of Des Moines, Ia., has promised to pay *one tenth* the cost of the new building, a gift of 5,000 rupees. Another friend sent \$5, but shortly afterward wrote that he wished to do more, and inclosed a draft for \$100. The principal of one of the great American colleges, who was with us a short time in January last, was so pleased with our site and building-plans that he invested \$200 in the building.

Our special thanks are due to our India-loving Dr. Butler, who has sent us the sum of \$2,500 for the building fund. This contribution represents a part of the estate of the late Charles Pratt, Esq., bequeathed for missions. We have a warm friend in Dr. Butler. Mr. Oliver Allen, Michigan, has sent us \$500, a "first installment," as we hope.

We are glad to learn that the Epworth League at home (at least in some parts of the country) has taken up our building enterprise with enthusiasm. One League gives \$100. We hope others will follow the good example; we would like a thank-offering from every one of the three thousand Leagues of that great land. By sending \$5 any League (or Sunday-school) can have the honor of putting a thousand bricks in the walls of the college.

The Missionary Board at its annual meeting in November last made a conditional appropriation of \$5,000 toward this good cause, and we expect to see the conditions met and the amount realized. Any sums sent to the missionary secretaries, No. 150 Fifth Avenue, New York city, and marked "For the Lucknow Christian College," will be promptly forwarded to us.

3. Our Boarding-House contains sixty-five young men and boys—all Christians. It is a happy family. Daily prayers are conducted by the manager, a local preacher, who lives in one of the dormitories.

These young men are of great assistance in bazar preaching and in the church services. Their absence is felt in May and June (holidays). The "Epworth League," to which they belong, is giving them mental pleasures and spiritual uplifts. The class and prayer meetings conducted in the school by Mr. Mansell are doing good. "The Ready Workers," who go regularly to the bazar with Mr. Mansell, are securing a valuable experience.

We are not content with these religious services. Counting the boarders (and foundationers) as specially committed to our care, not for a month, but perchance for ten years, we desire their physical development; and to this end have spent and expect to spend money. Professor Drummond says: "The key to a boy's life in the present generation lies in athletics." We have a cricket club whose challenges not one of the Lucknow college or school clubs dares accept. This tells its own story. In racing, jumping, tug-of-war, etc., "our boys" come out ahead. It is not to be wondered at that the Christian boy is stronger than his fellow-student, Hindu or Mohammedan.

As soon as we can afford it we expect to employ a military drill-master, and give our boarders the benefit of this form of exercise. By and by the gymnasium!

With our increased accommodations for boarders, we expect a large attendance of Christian students from other missions who chance to be neighbors.

4. *Scholarships.*—During the past year several new temporary scholarships (\$30 per annum) have been received. Two permanent scholarships (\$500) have also been secured, making eighteen in all; three others have been promised.



We are constantly receiving calls for help from various classes, sons of native preachers, new converts and others, and are desirous of assisting them. The sum of \$500 (1,000 rupees in India) founds a perpetual scholarship. The interest of this comparatively small sum (\$30, or 60 rupees, per year), by the strictest economy, supports a student, pays for his clothes, food, and books, and when the holder of the scholarship graduates another takes his place. Thus the work will continue year by year a constant source of help and blessing. Fifty perpetual scholarships are needed.

#### THE WOMAN'S COLLEGE AND HIGH-SCHOOL.

Miss Thoburn, in charge of the Girls' College, sends us the following interesting report, which all should read :

Unlike the "Lucknow Christian College," the "Woman's College and High-school" has seldom any Hindu or Mohammedan pupils, because only Christians appreciate the privileges of such a school for their daughters, or allow them the freedom of attending even as day scholars. The number enrolled is one hundred and sixty, and of these ninety-six are boarders who come from all parts of northern India, from Calcutta to the Punjab. They are generally the daughters of educated native Christians, and their boarding fees are paid by parents or guardians. If the scholarship system were introduced, the number of boarders would soon be doubled, but this is not necessary while other good schools in our mission admit girls on scholarships whose parents cannot afford to send them away from home. Exceptions are made in the higher classes, collegiate education being more expensive and the obstacles greater. There are now three college students, nine in the university entrance class and nine in the preparatory. Some of these are preparing to enter the medical college, and others expect to be teachers. One of our first college students has taken her degree of B.A., having passed fifth in the honor course of the Calcutta University, and is now an assistant teacher in our college department.

Among our few non-Christian pupils are two Parsees, five Brahmos, and one Mohammedan, and yet not rightly called so, since she comes as a Christian inquirer. In the same way we might have said a few weeks ago that we had a Hindu student, but the girl, a young Brahmin devotee, has just been baptized. She was sent to the school by an English lady missionary, whom she followed from a mela at Ajudhia, the birthplace of Ram. Her ambition is to study the Bible thoroughly, and then go out as a Christian devotee, visiting shrines and melas as before, to give her testimony to those who are still in the darkness from which she has come out.

Our Brahmos do not call themselves Christians, but they are much like good Unitarians; three of them are a mother and two grown daughters, who want to prepare themselves for usefulness in their home and community, and selected a Christian school in preference to that of the Pundit Ramabai, or one of their own religion.

The English girls' school at Cawnpore is also doing a good work. The native girls' boarding-schools for native Christians at Sitapur and Gonda are prosperous, and a native Christian girls' school has lately been opened at Cawnpore.

The Frey schools for inquirers have been placed on a more paying basis, we believe. Day-schools for Hindus and Mohammedans, taught by their own people, have been discontinued in different circuits, and in their places schools for accessible classes have been opened. Our design is to make every school a soul-saving institution.

The native churches in the different centers are growing in aggressive power year by year. The church at Lucknow is a very interesting and promising one. All the Christian boys and girls of our colleges attend this church, and there are also very intelligent business men among the members. This year we are building a new church edifice, costing some 16,000 rupees. The members of the church have taken up the matter with enthusiasm and propose to pay two months' income each toward this building. All is raised by subscriptions. The members of the English church promise hearty co-operation. Three missionaries subscribed 600 rupees each, while a similar contribution was received from a former Lucknow missionary, now a pastor in America. The giving has been so liberal that, contrary to custom, the Missionary Society will not be asked for a dollar.

A special service was held—the last one in the old building—on August 9, at which addresses were made by Bishop Thoburn and other former pastors. The house was crowded. To the missionaries and others present the occasion brought up the remembrance of the "old days."

Several other regular services have been opened in the city this year, which will grow into separate churches. The English church is prosperous and is at present quite self-supporting.

At Cawnpore also there is a very good native church nearly self-supporting, and in nearly all of the other places in the district the native churches are growing toward self-support. In the very extensive Gonda Circuit most of the workers have been gathered and trained from the Gonda church, so that perhaps that is more nearly an indigenous work than any other in Oudh.

The evangelistic work of the district has, I believe, improved very much this year. In Lucknow there have been converts from three classes of people, and one hundred and forty-four have been baptized. At Cawnpore openings have been made in several places and among several classes, giving promise of much fruit. Over one hundred have been baptized this year. The evangelists are persistently pushing the work. At Hardoi there are three very interesting sub-circuits, and converts have been gathered in the city and in the country. There have been one hundred and thirty-three baptisms this Conference year. The native brethren here are doing good work in trying to secure an opening on the family and caste line plan. Bara Banki, also under a native minister, is proving a promising field.

At Gonda the work is divided into eight sub-circuits, all of which will no doubt grow into separate circuits. Balrampur, the center of the rajah's territory, is a very interesting field, and work is spreading here. A chapel has been erected this year. The Taru field, where so many were baptized and again turned back, is giving promise of final success. Some families have taken a decided stand for Christ, and there are many others who seem to be sincere inquirers. Four bright lads of the Tarus are under training for work. In different parts of this great circuit there are openings among the Koris, Pasis, and Lal Begis; one hundred and thirty-four have been baptized this year. In Sitapur the work is on an evangelistic basis. The best openings seem to be among the Lal Begis and Chamars. The pastor, Chhote Lal, is working for special success. The number of baptisms is encouraging. At Lakhimpur the head man among the Chamars has been converted, which gives an encouraging opening. First, his sons were converted. He determined to bring these back to their own religion, but meantime sickness very severe entered his home, and the kindness of the Christian brethren won his heart, and he was led to Jesus. There are also openings into other castes; sixty-four have been baptized. At Bahraich up to the present time very little indeed has been gathered into the church. What church there is has been gathered from other places. This year, however, at one out-station twelve persons have been baptized, and there seems promise among the Koris at another out-station. A school has been opened, and the head man called together a large number of his people, and for three days had preaching at his place. O for the Spirit of God on our preachers, that at such opportunities many might be brought to Jesus! Roi Bareilly is a difficult field, and as yet we have nothing there to report. Unao is nearly the same, as far as any permanent fruit is concerned. In both of these circuits, however, the brethren are trying to accomplish something.

The classes most accessible at present are the Chamars, Lal Begis, Koris, Pasis, and Dhanuks. Some of these castes are very large. There are, for example, in the circuits mentioned above 641,000 Pasis, 321,000 Koris, and 858,000 Chamars. These lower classes are found in much larger numbers in this province than in Rohilkund, and if work is carried on for a few years with special reference to securing openings in various places into these castes, the accessions must become very large indeed.

The well-known Sunday-school work is carried forward as usual. Of Christian pupils 572 are male, 446 female; of non-Christian, 9,266 are male and 1,981 female; a total attendance of 12,265 in the district.

*Methodist Publishing House, Lucknow*, J. W. Waugh, Agent; J. A. Stagg, Manager. No report of this house and its interests appeared last year. The hand that was appointed to that work ceased from labor on October 20, 1890. Asiatic cholera did its dread work in a few hours, and robbed us of our Brother Maxwell, whose whole soul was devoted to the advancement of the work of the Press. He had planned large things, and tried to carry out more than he was able. As his health quite broke down early in the year, and he was compelled to spend the entire season in

the mountains, I was summoned to take up the work. As other duties called for much of my time and attention, I was not able to do all I hoped and planned; and the large amount of good work done is due largely to the energetic management of Mr. Stagg, to whose ability and devotion in the mechanical department both my predecessors have borne appreciative testimony.

The outturn of work of all kinds has been very great. No mission press in India has been able to compare or compete with this, and there is hardly any part of India where our publications either in English or some of the vernaculars do not find their way. This is specially true of a series of tracts prepared mainly by Bishop Thoburn—clear, simple, earnest presentations of Scripture truth in many of its phases—printed in English and in Urdu and Hindi translations. Over seven million pages of these tracts were issued at a very heavy expenditure to the Press, and the issues in all three languages were highly appreciated by many earnest workers; but the absence of funds to defray the expense necessitated the discontinuance of the series, and the taking up of secular work to recoup the Press financially.

A large contract for the printing and publication of a very excellent series of text-books for government and mission-schools—the “Anglo-Oriental Series”—has been successfully carried forward. This series of school books has been prepared by an English gentleman, J. C. Nesfield, Esq., an officer in the educational department of the India government; and the books are very far superior in moral tone to those hitherto in use in the government schools. And the publishing house, while helping itself financially, has been putting thousands of volumes into the hands of Hindu and Mohammedan boys and youth, purer and better morally than these Indian students have ever known.

While the Press has done much to produce and send out wholesome Christian literature in the shape of books, tracts, gospels, and for evangelistic work, as also in publishing commentaries on the Scriptures, catechisms, hymn-books, Sunday-school lessons annotated, and the Book of Discipline of our Church, still the old need, often mentioned and urged, namely, that of a moderate endowment, is greatly felt, and for want of it the Press can do only a small part of what it otherwise might and would do. Having now to earn its own money, to pay its staff of workmen and all running expenses, its strength is spent on this, of necessity, while if even partly endowed its whole energies could be given to religious or evangelistic work. I hope some reader of this will make a note, and come forward with an offer that would gladden our hearts.

The service of song, prayer, and exhortation held in the Press each Saturday has been of great interest, and has done good. All the employees have attended—Hindu, Mohammedan, and Christian—and during the year two young Hindu compositors, of fair intelligence, have come out and been baptized. Others are being impressed and influenced for good.

The accompanying condensed statement of work done since last report will give an idea of the kind and amount of matter that issues from the



Press at Lucknow annually. Our strong desire is to see the list of religious books and tracts greatly increased, making up by far the largest and best part of the sixty-nine millions of pages now issued from the Lucknow Methodist Publishing House.

### OUTTURN OF WORK SINCE LAST REPORT.

TITLE.	Copies.	Pages.	Total Pages.
<b>RELIGIOUS.</b>			
<i>English.</i>			
Prophecies of St. Peter and St. Paul.....	500	77	38,500
Supplement to Hymnal.....	750	32	24,289
Memorial—Mrs. Kate Hopkins.....	....	....	62,850
Christian Exercises.....	1,000	8	8,000
Order of Exercises.....	1,000	3	3,000
Children's Day Service.....	2,000	4	8,000
The Four Great Questions, by S. Knowles	1,000	168	168,000
Babu Ramchunder Bose's Lectures.....	1,000	208	208,000
The Perfect Day, by Major Jacob.....	1,000	117	117,000
<i>Roman-Urdu.</i>			
Major Jacob's Hymn-book.....	500	95	47,500
Practical Theology.....	775	51	40,300
Dr. Scott's Commentary.....	1,000	458	458,000
Waizon ki Imdadi Jamaat.....	300	17	5,100
Book of Discipline.....	1,000	192	192,000
Children's Day Service.....	1,000	4	4,000
Hymn-book.....	5,000	361	1,805,000
Discipline.....	1,000	195	195,000
Commentary—Minor Prophets.....	600	442	265,200
Iswi Sabut— <i>Christian Evidences</i> .....	500	73	36,500
<i>Litho-Urdu.</i>			
Homiletics.....	1,000	96	96,000
Story of Four Farmers.....	2,000	8	16,000
Major Jacob's Catechism.....	500	92	46,000
Major Jacob's Hymn-book.....	500	141	70,500
Children's Day Service.....	1,000	4	4,000
Hymn-book.....	2,000	312	624,000
Bible Questions, Book No. II.....	2,000	117	234,000
Good Stories.....	1,000	117	117,000
Christian Evidences.....	500	73	36,000
Catechism.....	1,000	43	43,000
Old Nature and New Man.....	500	47	23,500
<i>Hindi.</i>			
Catechism.....	2,000	27	54,000
Major Jacob's Hymns.....	500	75	375,000
Hymn-book.....	2,000	331	662,000
<b>EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL.</b>			
Anglo-Oriental Reader, No. I.....	11,578	124	1,223,156
“ “ “ No. II.....	10,646	155	1,540,646
“ “ “ No. III.....	11,750	185	1,841,750
“ “ “ No. IV.....	10,000	216	2,160,000
“ “ “ No. V.....	10,000	274	2,740,000
“ “ “ No. VI.....	10,000	322	3,220,000

TITLE.	Copies.	Pages.	Total Pages.
Anglo-Oriental Glossary, No. I.....	6,251	113	561,251
“ “ “ No. II.....	6,359	130	642,718
“ “ “ No. III.....	9,352	172	1,362,704
“ “ “ No. IV.....	10,000	188	940,000
“ “ “ No. V.....	16,000	293	2,344,000
“ “ “ No. VI.....	16,000	349	2,792,000
Translations to above.....	.....	.....	3,386,000
Senior Reader, Part I.....	4,000	189	756,000
History of India, Litho-Urdu.....	2,000	300	600,000
Course of Study, Roman-Urdu.....	400	9	3,600
Urdu First Book.....	5,000	24	120,000
“ “ with Arithmetic.....	2,000	16	32,000
Hindi Copy Books, Nos. 1-7.....	.....	.....	98,000
“ Dictionary.....	1,000	307	307,500
Life of Lady Dufferin, Litho-Urdu.....	1,000	262	362,000
Life of Lord Lansdowne.....	500	232	116,000
Anglo-Oriental Primer, English.....	4,500	72	324,000
“ “ Reader, No. I.....	4,000	113	452,000
“ “ “ No. II.....	5,000	96	480,000
“ “ “ No. III.....	5,000	157	785,000
“ “ “ No. IV.....	1,000	169	169,000
“ “ “ No. V.....	1,000	180	180,000
Senior Reader, Part II.....	4,000	177	708,000
School Attendance Register.....	500	24	13,000
New Royal Dictionary, Eng. & Roman-Urdu	8,000	530	4,240,000
Old Royal Dictionary.....	110	15	1,760
Primary Arithmetic, English.....	2,000	130	260,000
Litho-Urdu Primer, Nesfield's.....	3,000	63	189,000
“ “ Reader, No. I.....	3,000	161	483,000
“ “ “ No. II.....	3,000	203	609,000
“ “ “ No. III.....	3,000	155	465,000
“ “ Glossary to Primer.....	2,000	22	44,000
“ “ “ Reader, No. I.....	1,775	53	97,625
Litho-Urdu-Glossary Reader, No. II.....	1,000	17	47,000
Glossary to Nesfield's Reader, No. III.....	1,000	60	60,000
Litho-Urdu First Book.....	2,000	16	32,000
“ “ “ “.....	5,000	24	120,000
Copy Book, No. I.....	3,000	18	54,000
Talim-ul-Atfal.....	2,500	40	100,000
Litho-Urdu Dictionary.....	5,000	386	1,902,000
“ “ First Book.....	3,000	16	48,000
“ “ Second Book.....	2,000	32	64,000
Nesfield's Hindi Primer.....	1,000	49	49,000
“ “ Reader, No. I.....	1,000	153	153,000
“ “ “ No. II.....	2,000	121	242,000
“ “ “ No. III.....	2,000	168	336,000
How to Speak English-Hindi.....	2,000	33	66,000
Hindi First Book.....	3,000	24	72,000
“ Second Book.....	3,000	56	168,000
MISCELLANEOUS.			
Annual and District Reports.....	.....	.....	378,693
Sunday-School Lessons.....	.....	.....	3,034,300
“ “ Tickets.....	.....	.....	1,050,000
Tracts of Sorts ( <i>Religious</i> ).....	.....	.....	7,784,600
Periodicals.....	.....	.....	8,361,197
Commercial and Secular.....	.....	.....	3,068,850
Grand Total.....	.....	.....	69,737,589

## PILIBHIT DISTRICT.—REV. IBRAHIM SOLOMON, P.E.

This is a new district, a part of the old Rohilkund District and also a part of the Rohilkund Province. The presiding elder is a Hindustani Jew. There are no missionaries in the district. The work is spreading very rapidly among certain classes, and the great question is how to religiously care for and train the converts. Earnest work is being done in this direction, and a very large Christian community is being gathered. These accessible classes are easily secured now, and they are moving, and if not received by Christians, the Mohammedans will take them, and it will then be very difficult to secure them. The presiding elder writes :

“I thank God that he has helped us, and work has prospered in this district. There are fifty-six schools, and one thousand and twenty-five students—one hundred and forty-one Christians and the others non-Christians. The Bible is taught every day. We have thirteen schools for the girls, in which three hundred and eighteen students are taught. Nine hundred and ninety-five persons have been baptized in this district this year. So in my district three thousand four hundred and fifty-eight persons are Christians, who live in three hundred and fifteen different villages; and they gave 925 rupees for self-support. The work is done in fifty-four new villages this year. There are three ministers, three local deacons, seventeen preachers, eighteen exhorters, and fifty-two pastor-teachers in this district. A great many of our people have been born again this year, and have become real spiritual Christians. Four chapels have been built this year by the help of Dr. Butler. The work of God is going on well here.

## FATEHGUNJ CIRCUIT.

Rev. Ibrahim Solomon, Minister.

There are nine preachers, three exhorters, and twenty-nine Christian teachers in this circuit; twenty-five mission and Goucher schools for the education of the Christians as well as of the non-Christians. There are four hundred and eighty students in these schools, three hundred Christians and one hundred and eighty non-Christians. Nearly all of them read the Bible. By means of these schools and the preaching of the word five hundred and forty-one persons have been baptized this year, and there are many who want to be baptized. Many persons have been baptized in the Rampur native kingdom. The Christians of Fatehgunj have supported their pastor; that is, they gave him 144 rupees for the whole year (12 rupees a month). They gave 20 rupees for missionary collection and 20 rupees for Sunday-school. We have a League meeting in Fatehgunj every month; it is a useful meeting for our Christians. Our Sunday-schools have made progress this year. There are one hundred students who willingly come to the Sunday-schools. We have a Bible-class every morning for the new Christians. The work in Fatehgunj is going on well.

## BAHERI CIRCUIT.

John Net Ram and Ghasi Ram.

There are three exhorters, seven Christian teachers, and two hundred and eighty-nine Christians in this circuit. They live in thirty-five different villages. Forty-seven persons were baptized this year, and there are about three hundred persons more who want to be Christians. There are seven schools in this circuit, in which one hundred and fifty students are taught. A chapel was built this year in Baheri, and in Pipaltana a house for a preacher. We have got 1,118 rupees as collections. We have two hundred students in our Sunday-schools. May God help us in his work! The Bible-women have worked in twenty-five different families this year, and when they get an opportunity they go to distant villages and work there. They have a school for girls in which about twenty students are taught.

## PILIBHIT CIRCUIT.

Rev. D. P. Kidder, Native Minister.

This is a very large circuit, and the work is similar to that of Fatehgunj, only more extensive, as the city is large and the country towns in which work is spreading very numerous. Baptisms have regularly occurred, and the active band of pastor-teachers are training the converts, leading forward the inquirers, and searching for others who are willing to learn the way. The school work is also promising. The new Butler Chapel at Pilibhit is proving a power for good.

## BISALPUR.

Rev. Kallu Dhar, Native Minister.

This country circuit was formerly a portion of the Bareilly Circuit. It contains many interesting villages in which work has been opened. It is almost exactly like Baheri.

## NAWABGUNJ CIRCUIT.

Rev. Kallu Singh, Native Minister, and three Christian teachers.

Thirty-seven persons were baptized this year in this circuit. There are one hundred Christians now. We have three schools to teach their children as well as non-Christians. The Christians of this circuit give some money in aid of their pastor. We have got 10 rupees as collection this year. We hope they will give more by and by. May God help us in his work! The women workers have worked in fifty different families. Six women and four girls were baptized this year.



# STATISTICS OF

## CIRCUIT OR STATION.

CIRCUIT OR STATION.	Foreign Missionaries.	Assistant Missionaries.	Native Workers of Wom. For. Miss. Society.	Native Ordained Preachers.	Native Unord. Preachers.	Native Teachers.	Other Helpers.	Members.	Probationers.	Entire Chr. Community.	Average Attendance on Sunday Worship.	Adults Baptized.	Children Baptized.	No. Theological Schools.	No. of Teachers in same.	No. of Students.	No. of High-schools.	No. of Teachers in same.	No. of Pupils.	No. of other Day-schools.	No. of other Day Schools.
Oudh District.																					
Ajudhia	..	..	6	1	3	2	2	15	5	33	20	5	4	..	..	..	..	..	6	155	
Allahabad	1	1	12	1	4	1	11	26	33	24	13	8	3	3	..	..	..	..	6	143	
Bahruch	..	..	6	2	6	2	35	19	83	125	8	16	11	27	..	..	..	..	8	177	
Bara Banki	..	..	12	8	15	6	4	42	75	40	16	11	2	2	..	..	..	..	17	749	
Cawnpore (Native)	1	1	1	1	4	1	71	81	700	400	11	27	1	1	..	..	..	..	8	254	
Cawnpore (English)	1	1	1	1	1	1	55	14	300	650	300	90	6	4	..	..	..	..	7	170	
Gonda	1	1	17	1	13	10	3	150	300	103	100	7	4	1	..	..	..	..	100	1,200	
Hardoi	..	..	4	1	6	4	12	33	3	102	10	5	10	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Lakhimpur	..	..	8	1	5	2	4	84	18	60	85	15	12	12	..	..	..	..	21	325	
Lucknow (Native)	4	4	8	2	13	20	2	190	108	400	600	18	12	..	..	..	..	..	13	546	
Lucknow (English)	2	1	6	1	1	1	70	16	..	325	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	812	
Roy Bareilly	1	1	1	1	1	1	23	11	60	200	4	3	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Sitapur	1	1	5	1	10	7	2	60	50	132	200	4	3	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	
Unao	..	..	5	1	8	3	2	26	8	57	24	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Rohilkund District.																					
Agra	1	1	2	1	2	7	4	49	69	117	200	61	18	..	..	..	..	..	9	179	
Aonla	..	..	5	1	6	23	..	82	773	856	260	125	125	..	..	..	..	..	15	523	
Baheri	..	..	7	3	53	22	1	314	252	770	623	30	23	1	10	133	..	..	5	87	
Bareilly	3	2	21	3	27	28	180	562	1,372	1,200	266	815	..	..	..	..	..	..	26	1,066	
Bijnor	1	1	21	3	27	28	180	562	1,372	1,200	266	815	..	..	..	..	..	..	44	735	
Bisul	..	..	1	1	6	5	125	200	333	100	119	99	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	300	
Bisalpur	..	..	3	1	4	11	2	30	50	127	70	4	21	..	..	..	..	..	3	35	
Bisauli	..	..	8	1	5	7	..	378	347	725	400	85	140	..	..	..	..	..	14	690	
Budaun	1	1	10	1	15	50	1	230	1,374	2,394	1,400	781	432	..	..	..	..	..	56	1,023	
Chandausi	..	..	5	1	3	7	2	74	161	275	100	49	17	..	..	..	..	..	16	273	
Fatehgunj	..	..	9	1	14	33	1	800	211	1,436	600	342	135	..	..	..	..	..	25	565	
Jalalabad	..	..	6	1	2	8	2	58	45	150	100	40	12	..	..	..	..	..	8	184	
Kakrala	..	..	5	1	2	4	2	59	200	365	100	61	45	..	..	..	..	..	6	133	
Kasganj	..	..	5	1	4	15	4	165	350	815	900	215	200	..	..	..	..	..	14	547	
Mandawar	..	..	7	1	10	10	2	810	273	894	400	225	205	..	..	..	..	..	20	372	
Mohamdi	..	..	3	1	4	8	4	30	29	65	80	21	8	..	..	..	..	..	5	86	
Moradabad	2	2	9	3	17	54	2	361	243	1,025	700	138	130	..	..	2	28	420	45	1,126	
Muttra	1	1	8	1	9	9	5	60	82	300	200	79	80	..	..	..	..	..	15	391	
Najibabad	..	..	4	1	1	4	..	17	88	106	100	2	42	..	..	..	..	..	8	195	
Panabpur	..	..	6	1	8	4	..	182	48	390	200	14	20	..	..	..	..	..	4	100	
Pilibhit	..	..	10	1	8	16	3	80	200	280	100	23	13	..	..	..	..	..	18	311	
Shahjahanpur	1	1	8	3	11	22	5	124	161	413	300	65	49	..	..	..	..	..	39	772	
Shahjahanpur, East.	1	1	2	1	2	..	..	97	100	237	200	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	170	
Kumaon District.																					
Dwarahath	1	1	2	..	3	4	1	21	16	52	35	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	6	175	
Eastern Kumaon	..	..	1	1	6	..	..	55	26	173	80	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	18	655	
Gairwal	1	..	8	1	18	16	..	186	254	635	400	47	34	..	..	..	..	..	16	649	
Nainee Tal (Native)	1	..	..	1	10	6	25	80	10	150	150	20	10	..	..	..	..	..	23	750	
Nainee Tal (English)	2	2	..	..	..	14	..	20	..	300	..	..	..	..	..	1	15	100	2	162	
Amroha District.																					
Amroha	..	..	3	..	3	10	..	139	71	311	300	61	24	..	..	..	..	..	10	98	
Bahjol	..	..	6	..	6	..	..	53	29	132	60	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	4	61	
Bulandshahar	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	35	128	255	300	81	43	..	..	..	..	..	11	162	
Babukhera	..	..	7	..	4	12	..	22	57	149	100	10	7	..	..	..	..	..	2	40	
Dhanaura	..	..	8	..	4	3	..	132	15	297	100	14	36	..	..	..	..	..	5	65	
Hassanpur	..	..	4	..	3	3	..	111	85	233	70	2	3	..	..	..	..	..	7	185	
Joa	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	64	20	110	20	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	12	
Meerut	..	..	12	1	6	13	1	130	232	588	200	300	109	..	..	..	..	..	14	202	
Narainiya	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	100	25	175	50	11	9	..	..	..	..	..	1	30	
Rabunpura	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	7	6	13	50	4	6	..	..	..	..	..	5	85	
Rasulpur	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	38	7	91	40	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	46	
Sambhal	..	..	5	1	4	7	..	74	81	223	200	21	7	..	..	..	..	..	14	367	
Sharifpur	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	56	95	178	70	11	15	..	..	..	..	..	1	34	
Shahpur	..	..	3	..	1	6	1	11	6	88	30	21	19	..	..	..	..	..	7	233	

## RECAPITULATION

Oudh	12	11	77	14	102	79	38	806	701	2,385	2,613	191	90	..	..	3	38	520	135	4,770	
Rohilkund	11	10	138	28	212	351	80	3,919	5,858	12,716	8,325	274	213	1	10	133	2	420	406	9,615	
Kumaon	5	3	1	3	37	40	26	362	306	1,010	965	69	56	..	..	1	15	100	65	2,341	
Amroha	..	..	45	2	40	67	2	982	869	2,732	1,590	538	292	..	..	..	..	..	4	1,619	
Total	28	24	270	47	391	537	146	5,969	7,734	19,903	13,493	537	254	1	10	133	6	81	691	18,395	
Last year	28	25	216	67	245	724	81	5,958	7,463	12,603	13,266	390	250	3	8	76	11	100	1706	655	13,451

# NORTH INDIA.

	No. of Sabbath-schools.	No. of Sabbath Scholars.	No. of Orphanas.	No. of Churches and Chapels.	Estimated Value of Churches and Chapels.	No. of Halls and other Places of Worship.	No. of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Estimated Value of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Value of Orphanages, Schools, Hospitals, Book Rooms, etc.	Collected for Missionary Society.	Collected for other Benevolent Societies.	Collected for Self support.	Collected for Church Building and Repairing.	Contributed for other Local Purposes.	Pages Printed during the Year.
					Rupees			Rupees.	Rupees	Rupees	Rupees	Rupees.	Rupees.	Rupees.	
6	183	..	..	..	16,000	..	1	2,000	..	5	8	..	..	..	69
6	201	..	..	..	5,000	..	1	..	..	12	54	..	6,000	..	158
8	450	..	..	..	..	1	..	200	..	10	72	..	..	..	690
15	564	..	..	..	3,500	..	..	200	..	12	95	..	..	..	246
2	1,973	..	2	..	20,500	..	12	12,000	20,000	60	460	..	243	..	2,307
3	240	..	1	..	9,800	..	1	12,000	100,000	150	335	..	2,700	..	10,305
22	1,958	..	2	..	6,500	..	2	15,000	5,000	50	915	..	1,831	..	1,952
18	1,300	..	..	..	400	..	..	..	..	..	32	..	..	..	206
18	500	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,000	..	9	54	..	74	..	100
24	1,800	..	2	..	17,500	4	6	46,000	125,000	130	690	..	8,000	13,848	68,945,589
1	126	..	1	..	22,500	..	1	8,000	..	300	600	..	1,410	2,010	..
28	650	..	1	..	3,000	..	1	5,000	4,000	40	744	..	97	1,446	..
60	1,800	..	1	..	6,000	..	2	12,000	22,000	65	309	..	116	2,523	..
18	630	..	..	..	..	..	1	970	2,000	15	17	..	74	240	..
6	281	..	1	..	12,000	..	1	10,000	5,000	100	100	..	22	1,050	..
22	362	..	1	..	800	..	5	1,500	..	7	10	..	..	..	..
7	134	..	..	..	..	..	1	70	..	5	5	..	25	..	..
26	1,337	..	5	..	37,373	..	7	38,900	74,000	75	143	..	283	6,562	..
13	1,390	..	2	..	5,000	..	2	5,000	1,550	32	96	..	348	1,414	..
4	43	..	1	..	500	..	2	500	..	7	9	..	41	61	..
17	612	..	..	..	314	..	1	80	..	..	8	..	..	..	..
40	1,366	..	2	..	19,000	..	2	1,000	..	40	77	..	196	13	..
18	893	..	..	..	..	..	1	5,045	3,923	10	60	..	60	3,579	..
26	710	..	2	..	1,300	..	..	1,200	..	28	29	..	144	108	..
7	400	..	..	..	150	..	1	650	..	4	21	..	31	130	..
7	244	..	..	..	..	..	1	350	..	4	6	..	29	..	..
15	800	..	..	..	..	..	2	1,100	..	..	14	..	76	214	..
23	970	..	5	..	600	..	1	500	..	9	14	..	61	112	..
10	215	..	..	..	..	..	3	300	..	5	64	..	28	57	..
47	1,643	..	4	..	31,000	..	4	18,700	40,000	94	9,529	..	514	18,014	..
25	1,069	..	1	..	4,000	..	1	11,000	3,000	50	185	..	65	2,200	..
9	195	..	..	..	4,000	..	3	450	..	2	6	..	29	501	..
6	362	..	2	..	1,884	..	2	615	..	16	168	..	62	144	..
18	311	..	1	..	525	..	7	1,000	..	12	28	..	72	456	..
51	1,724	..	4	..	13,470	..	5	5,075	1,830	47	137	..	86	1,684	..
6	351	200	1	..	6,000	..	1	3,500	11,500	45	50	..	96	3,059	..
2	166	..	2	..	3,500	..	2	3,000	2,550	30	45	..	80	845	..
2	191	..	2	..	2,500	..	2	8,200	2,200	65	154	..	75	960	..
21	702	..	3	..	4,000	..	2	12,000	28,000	35	72	..	52	3,330	..
14	406	..	3	..	12,700	..	4	26,000	9,000	21	50	..	60	1,360	..
1	120	..	1	..	30,000	..	1	7,500	155,000	135	141	..	1,446	12,400	..
10	108	..	..	..	..	..	1	900	2,000	5	5	..	36	..	..
4	86	..	..	..	..	..	2	500	..	2	2	..	10	..	..
10	155	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	2	..	25	..	..
9	85	..	1	..	259	..	1	150	..	2	4	..	16	39	..
5	187	..	..	..	..	..	1	50	..	5	6	..	17	..	..
7	230	..	3	..	850	..	2	800	..	2	8	..	17	125	..
1	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	15	..	1	1	..	1	..	..
9	225	..	..	..	..	..	1	160	..	15	18	..	74	..	..
1	30	..	1	..	20	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	10	..	..
1	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	133	..	15	570	..
4	94	..	1	..	10	..	..	20	..	1	1	..	..	..	..
12	443	..	2	..	800	..	3	1,200	..	20	25	..	55	442	..
2	47	..	1	..	18	..	1	80	..	2	4	..	10	1	..
4	319	..	..	..	..	..	1	20	..	2	3	..	4	..	..

## BY DISTRICTS.

249	12,265	..	14	110,000	5	24	114,770	278,000	83	4,385	6,781	14,000	36,110	68,945,589
463	18,38	200	35	137,346	2	54	106,555	141,842	587	10,699	2,305	4,000	39,398	..
40	1,588	..	11	52,700	..	11	56,200	196,750	286	465	1,646	75	14,895	..
72	2,045	..	9	1,457	..	15	3,895	2,000	63	217	289	..	1,167	..
824	32,133	200	69	301,503	7	104	381,400	618,592	1,774	15,766	11,021	18,075	95,570	68,945,589
810	30,823	698	64	316,491	53	105	306,482	526,492	1,743	642	13,099	2,814	72,365	85,000,000

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## SOUTH INDIA.

Commenced in 1872.

Organized as a Conference in 1876.

UNDER SUPERVISION OF BISHOP THOBURN.

BOMBAY DISTRICT.—REV. J. E. ROBINSON, P.E.

(P.-O., Poona.)

The presiding elder reports :

It would be comparatively easy to write a long report regarding the work on this district ; much easier, in fact, than to prepare a short one. Seeing that a new district, Hyderabad, has been added to this Conference since last report, with a natural desire to be heard from at some length, and that the important newly acquired Kolar Mission also comes before the Church for the first time in an annual report, it has seemed good to me that I should deny myself the pleasure of submitting the lengthy summary which had taken shape in my mind ; and this course I the more readily pursue in view of the admonition from the office to condense as much as possible.

A few words about our District Conference which adjourned a few days ago (October 3, 1891). It was full of encouragement and inspiration, all hearts being pervaded with the conviction that our work year by year assumes increased solidity and has the promise of great results to be attained before the new century dawns upon us. Notwithstanding formidable difficulties growing out of the immense territory included in the district, and the several languages spoken within its bounds and overlapping each other in a bewildering way—not to speak of other embarrassing factors—there is much to cause us great joy and a thankful measure of satisfaction. Of course the work is not without its weaknesses and defects, to which we are by no means oblivious ; but with every returning year skill and success in grappling with these are acquired ; and we have no doubt that the great gatherings now being reported from North India will be repeated in parts of Western India at no very distant day on the same scale.

A new coign of vantage has been occupied this year, Quetta, in Beluchistan. Methodism has always followed the pillar of cloud and of fire, and God has honored her heroic faith and aggressive enterprise. True to her past traditions, she stands ever ready to accept providential indications in regard to the lengthening of her borders. When the time comes, and come it will, no doubt, for the advance into Central and Western Asia to be sounded, Quetta will have an important part to play in the great achievement.

Tanna also will be found for the first time in the statistical table. This town affords easy access to a thickly populated and almost wholly unoc-

cupied territory which promises to yield fine results. Already, though work has only been opened there quite recently, a goodly number have broken with their heathen past and placed themselves under Christian teaching. The day on which this is being written word comes from the missionary, who has just begun his tour after the monsoon, that he is meeting with eager reception and very encouraging indications. Within the year there have been nearly a hundred baptisms on this new circuit.

Before me lies a copy of the South India Conference Minutes for 1886. No more practical, lucid, and satisfactory showing of the work which is being done on this district can be presented than to place the figures for that year side by side with those now being reported to the Missionary Society for insertion in the Annual Report. It will be seen at a glance that notwithstanding our seriously inadequate resources in money and workers, good healthy progress of a solid character has been accomplished. Of a truth God has been with us, and to him belongs all the glory.

	Close of 1886.	Close of 1891.
Members and probationers . . . . .	374	704
Sunday-school scholars . . . . .	403	2,591
Day-school scholars (native) . . . . .	156	1,515
Day-school scholars (English) . . . . .	83	247
Adults baptized during year . . . . .	9	130
Children baptized during year . . . . .	36	103
Churches and parsonages . . . . .	10†	20
Total value of real estate (rupees) . . . . .	85,800	196,150*
Vernacular Scriptures sold . . . . .	18	110†
English Scriptures sold . . . . .	19	232†
Vernacular portions sold . . . . .	48	14,105†
Tracts and small books sold . . . . .	1,085	271,407†
Cash realized for all sales (rupees) . . . . .	52	2,044†

During the less than five years under review, there has also been a large development of W. F. M. S. work on the district. One agent at close of 1886 has become five (one of whom is on furlough) at close of 1890. Two native Christian girls' boarding-schools, besides day-schools. Eight zenana teachers visit more than two hundred houses; and probably three times as many secluded women, who but for this agency would never have heard of Christ, are taught, while about half a score of Bible-women do good service among the women of the lower classes. The medical mission at Baroda is doing a grand work, ministering to the bodies and souls of thirteen or fourteen hundred poor women every year. Turning for a moment to our English boarding institution—the Bishop Taylor High-school for boys and girls—it is gratifying to notice that the sixteen pupils of 1886 have become one hundred and twenty in 1891. Of this number thirty-nine are boarders, the rest day scholars. On the staff of the school are two young men in training for the ministry. One young man went from the institution last year to the North-western University, to prepare for missionary service.

It seems almost unfair to the missionaries in charge not to report their

\*Of which all except 19,000 rupees has been raised in India.

†These items are taken from the Conference Minutes for 1890.



individual stations in detail; but the above showing speaks more eloquently of the success that God has vouchsafed unto them than pages of mere description. When it is remembered that much of the native work on the Bombay District is but of a very few years' growth, and that the number of missionaries having command of the languages spoken within its bounds has always, through several causes, been small, it is hardly too much to claim that no mission field of the Church can make a better showing of solid results, the period of time, the expenditure of money, the number of workers employed, etc., being taken into account. A little more liberal dealing with us for the next four or five years than we have experienced during the immediate past will give us a commanding place among the missionary bodies operating in these parts, and make our Church, with the divine blessing, a mighty evangelistic power in Western India.

HYDERABAD DISTRICT.—REV. GEORGE K. GILDER, P.E.

(P.-O., Hyderabad, Dekkan.)

This district, intended as it is to include all the territory under the rule of his highness the Nizam, is as large as it is needy.

We thank God for the foothold that in his gracious providence we have obtained at various strategic points. These, however, are but too few as centers of work. We ought to be pushing out and occupying at least four or five other such points where at present neither missionary nor mission agent of any kind is to be found. Believing, as we do, that God has a special mission for our branch of Christ's Church in these territories, our eager desire is to see this accomplished at no distant date.

The field is the Lord's; he watches over it. He has placed us here. And while, on the one hand, he assures us, "Behold the Lord thy God hath set the land before thee, go up and possess it," on the other hand, it does appear as though he would have us learn that for the present our highest wisdom is to strengthen and develop what we already possess. I have visited each charge on the district once a quarter. At each point the brethren have been favored with signs of encouragement inspiring them to renewed zeal and unflagging effort. God has been with us in spite of many a trial. In our anxiety and perplexity we have experienced means of help and deliverance for which we cannot too heartily praise his holy name.

HYDERABAD.

Rev. G. K. Gilder, Missionary in Charge.

*English Work.*—This work has been successfully maintained in all its appointments. Our congregations, particularly on Sunday evenings, have been large, and since the year began several have professed to decide for Christ. Some of them have continued unto this day, and have united with us in church membership. The church finances have been prosperous. The debt reported last year as still clinging to our church property is being vigorously taken in hand. We hope to extinguish it by the end of the current year.

The ladies of the congregation have organized themselves into a "Ladies' Missionary Union," and have rendered valuable help to the pastor.

*Hindustani Mission.*—In the face of serious and positive disabilities our Hindustani Mission has held its own. We have two services a week, one on Sunday mornings, and the other on Wednesday evenings. In addition, we have a Sunday-school of fifty boys, with an average attendance of thirty-five. These boys are chiefly Brahmin and Mohammedan.

We have also two day-schools, both Anglo-vernacular and graded as "upper primary," one in the suburb known as the "Residency Bazar," and the other inside the city. The latter enjoys the distinction of being the only mission school within the city walls. In both schools the Bible is regularly taught. We have had, and have still, several inquirers, but thus far can report only two baptisms, both from Islam.

#### TELUGU CIRCUIT.

Rev. J. H. Garden, Missionary in Charge.

This is a vigorous offshoot of the English Church. It now appears for the first time as a separate charge. There has been for some time a little band of native Christians here, and last year the presiding elder organized a Quarterly Conference composed of Telugu members. Last February the present pastor was put in charge, with instructions to open up work.

The native brethren, lay workers, of whom three are local preachers and two exhorters, have done a great deal of preaching in the city suburbs and surrounding villages. The pastor, with the paid agents, has tried to push out into the surrounding districts.

The small allowance from the society has compelled much self-denial and "self-support" on our part.

At present I have three paid preachers and colporteurs, only one of whom is supported by the Missionary Society; and my cook, a converted man, is himself a most invaluable assistant.

The villages in this part of the country are small, and the scarcity of the Brahmin element makes them very easy of access. More than once while we have been preaching to them, some one in the audience has been melted into tears at the story of the cross. Several times they have brought offerings of money to show their gratitude and appreciation. Numbers express themselves willing to become disciples of Jesus Christ, and others profess to have cast aside their idols since we came preaching to them. When it is considered that this is all the work of three or four months, it will be seen that we have cause for thankfulness. So far we have baptized two; one of them we see constantly and know to be faithful. We have here a field of from six hundred thousand to eight hundred thousand people who can be reached by the Telugu tongue, a field in which we are the only mission at work.

#### GULBARGA.

Rev. D. O. Ernsberger, Missionary in Charge.

This circuit represents an area of about twelve thousand square miles,

containing about four thousand towns and villages, and a population of nearly one and one half millions. In the midst of these masses of destitute people there are two lone (not lonely) missionaries—my wife and myself. Four more families could be put down in this field, with a distance of forty miles between any two of them, and each have a parish containing five hundred villages and three hundred thousand people.

To say that we need at least four more missionaries is needless after the above statements. We have asked for them and still continue to pray that God may send them, but we do not intend to sit down and wait till they come. We have almost doubled our native helpers in the last year, and hope to double them in the near future. With the helpers we have we are preaching, teaching, and distributing tracts and Scriptures, and thus day by day reducing the number of those who are in total darkness. We have seen some fruit of our labors and have had much to encourage us. The intense interest with which the people every-where hear the Gospel, the increasing number of earnest inquirers, the way in which we see prejudice giving way, and the spirit of confidence which is taking the place of suspicion, are some of the things "which are seen" that cheer our hearts along the way. The outlook for the future is bright. We feel that we occupy a place in the Lord's vineyard that angels might well covet. We are not objects of pity. If any is bestowed, it is wasted; for we do not need it. We need something more substantial. We need men. We need money. We need the prayers of God's people.

#### KOPBAL.

Rev. B. Peters, Missionary in Charge.

Contrary to our expectations we have had no conversions this year. Notwithstanding this, I observe among the people a deep and honest spirit of inquiry after the truth. The people very often of their own accord have invited us to preach the Gospel to them. Deputations from distant villages, headed either by the priest or by the chief man of the village, have waited on us to hear the Gospel. These deputations, and the people generally, admit the claims of the Son of God, but lacking moral courage to stand true to their convictions they remain halting between two opinions.

In Kopbal the Olyars (a low-caste people whom we have been preaching to for some time) have given up the worship of idols. In times of severe sickness they frequently invite us to their homes to pray with and for the sick in the name of the Lord Jesus; and God in his mercy and wisdom has graciously answered our prayers for the sake of his Son.

I have taken several tours around the circuit preaching the Gospel, and have visited several "jathras" or religious fairs, preaching to large and attentive audiences, and selling books and Scripture portions. My wife, along with her helpers, has also taken several tours. We have baptized a Sunday-school scholar of ours aged five years, with the consent of his mother who is still a heathen.

## BELLARY.

Mr. J. Parker, Local Preacher in Charge.

We commenced the year with thirteen members and four probationers on the roll, of whom only six members and two probationers are actually residing at the station.

The work of the current year has added nothing to the list of membership, although the community around has benefited by our existence in this place. Having to contend with considerable opposition and with not a few hinderances, we have been doing little more than holding our own.

The English work, which is all that we have at this point, is very small; but as the pastor has charge also of the Wesleyan work among the soldiers of the garrison, his time is well occupied.

Bellary has always been a poor and hard field for Methodism, but we are looking forward to the time when this barren spot shall become a garden of the Lord's own planting, and shall flourish to the glory of our God.

## SECUNDERABAD CIRCUIT.

Rev. W. E. L. Clarke, Missionary in Charge.

In addition to the regular weekly services held in the church, evangelistic services are conducted weekly in two halls, one of which is six miles away, and the other about a mile. To meet the needs of a very poor and neglected locality, arrangements are now being made to rent a third hall a mile and a half distant from the church and in the locality referred to.

These efforts are on behalf of the very poor Anglo-Indians and Eurasians who never attend the usual places of worship, and to whose doors, therefore, the Gospel must be carried.

In one of these evangelistic halls four persons have been brightly converted during the last eight months. One of these was a most zealous Roman Catholic. Here also is a Sunday-school organized and conducted with the help of a young sister in Christ who is herself a scholar in the Sabbath-school held in our church.

The congregations keep large. Several conversions have cheered us in the work. Last month (August) a plot of ground was generously donated to us by "a well-wisher" on which we hope before long to erect a suitable parsonage.

## MADRAS DISTRICT.—REV. A. H. BAKER, P.E.

(P.-O., Kolar.)

At our last Annual Conference a slice was cut from the Madras District which went to form the Hyderabad District, nearly a third larger than all of New England, and having a population almost three times as great as that those States contain. But we gave away no more than we retained for ourselves; and we could still part with another strip of country as large as New England and have remaining a district as large as New England Conference, having a population considerably larger than that, within the bounds of that Conference. To help us work this vast terri-



tory we are asking that this year we may have from home two more men ; surely no one will think our demands large when it is known that we now have but five foreign missionaries on the district.

Our District Conference, held at Kolar this year, was pronounced by all a great success. The morning and evening prayer-meetings, both in Kanarese and English, were seasons of great blessing and power. The literary exercises were of high order ; and the business of the Conference received its due share of attention and was done in a business-like way. The candidates for exhorters' and local preachers' licenses were given written examinations, and most passed very creditably.

As I write a part of the district is suffering from famine. The tax-collector of a number of villages, of which one of our Christian settlements is one, said to me the other day : " Sir, our cattle are already dying for want of food and water. In the village in which I live over fifty cattle have died, and soon the people will be without food." The Amilder of the Kolar Taluk said to me yesterday : " The famine is really upon us. In all the villages in my taluk there has been a failure of the crops, and the cattle are dying in some. We fear great suffering all through this district." The first monsoon has failed us, and even if the second does not there will be a great deal of suffering. Our own people have lost all they planted, and many of them are even now appealing to me for work, that they may be able to get food for themselves and families. Ragi, the principal food of this part of the country, has risen from 4-8 rupees to 14 rupees per candi. During the famine our people will need help ; and after it is over they will need money with which to purchase cattle to begin work once again. Pray for our famine-stricken people.

#### I. BANGALORE.

1. *Baldwin High-schools*, Rev. W. H. Hollister, Principal.

This has been to the schools a year of unusual prosperity. The number of pupils enrolled has never been greater. The pupils have done excellently in their examinations, and altogether I think this may be said to be one of the most prosperous years in the history of the schools. We have been able to pay a small amount on our school debt ; but the interest is so heavy that but little more can be done than keep this paid up. This debt has proved and is proving a great burden to the schools. And when we consider that \$4,000 would free us from all our financial liabilities, it seems strange that long before this friends of the work have not removed this burden. The amount seems small, but it is really a great burden here where our people are so poor and interest is so high. A good spiritual work is being done among the pupils. Within a few weeks about forty have been converted. If it is remembered that many of these boys and girls who have found the Lord would never have come under the influence of Methodist teaching and preaching but for these schools, and that some, at least, of them would in all probability have been under the teaching of Church of England ritualists, it will easily be seen what an important factor these schools are in our work and the salvation of the nom-

inal Christians of this part of India. But this is not all the schools are doing for our work; they are training up a band of young men and women who will some day become supporters of the work and laborers in the mission. In helping these schools, therefore, our Church is as truly helping in the evangelization of this country as though the money given was all expended on the support of evangelists. These facts should be borne in mind by those able to give; and much more liberal things should be devised and carried out for these schools than has been done in the past.

2. *Richmond Town*, Rev. J. B. Buttrick, Missionary.

Brother Buttrick writes: "The year commenced with strong anticipations of a large harvesting of souls. All through the year indications have been apparent that the Spirit was sealing his word. A decided increase in the congregations has gladdened the heart of the pastor. But yet the yielding of souls to Christ, for which we looked, did not come. Two or three definite cases of conversion occurred through the regular agencies, and that was all. But I thankfully record the progress now, as I write, of a gracious work of God, which commenced about a fortnight ago among the young people. It still goes on, and we are hoping that it will reach the older people, and will mean a general revival. Praise the Lord! The Sabbath-schools were never more prosperous. The average attendance is larger than last year, the young people are being saved, and during the last three months the young people have collected on an average more than 70 rupees per month for local Kanarese work, besides the weekly Sabbath-school collections.

*Kanarese Work*.—The year's work in this field does not show the results which it is our heart's wish could be reported. During the greater part of the year four native brethren have been spreading the Gospel in and around Bangalore. A lay brother belonging to the English Church, and who is proficient in Kanarese, has rendered invaluable service in this work. The bulk of the preaching done is in the open air in the villages. Special efforts have been made to increase the sale of Scriptures and gospel literature. The Sabbath-school work has advanced. Fully seven hundred children are weekly taught the Golden Text and the International Sunday-school Lesson in Kanarese. Most of the schools, of which there are ten, are held in the open air. One is held in an old but substantial Hindu temple.

3. *St. John's Hill*, R. Sorby (Conference Probationer) in charge.

Owing to insufficient funds being granted to the work in this station we have been compelled to close most of our day-schools, and this has acted unfavorably on the average attendance of the Sunday-schools. The other work of the mission has gone steadily forward; and though we have not seen the visible results that we hoped for at the beginning of the year we are not disheartened, for we believe that the time of reaping is not far distant.

## II. BETMANGALAM.

B. Luke, Native Preacher.

This is a town of some four or five thousand inhabitants in the midst of

a large number of thickly populated villages. We have as yet not been able to take advantage of the excellent opportunities offered in this circuit for aggressive evangelistic work. We trust soon to be in a position to do something more for this circuit than we have yet be enable to do.

### III. BUDIKOTA.

J. Narappa, Native Preacher.

We find among the large coolie population of this and the surrounding villages many attentive listeners to the gospel message. There has been one conversion here lately.

### IV. BOWRINGPET.

C. Cumine, Local Preacher.

This is one of the most important stations in the district and one that is readily increasing in importance. The population is made up of Kanarese, Tamil, and Hindustani speaking people. We cannot hire houses here for our workers, and we therefore are working at a great disadvantage. We ought to build here at once. Three hundred dollars would give us the necessary buildings.

### V. KOLAR.

Rev. A. H. Baker and Rev. Ira A. Richards, Missionaries.

Though there has been no ingathering of souls during the year, we can truthfully say the spirituality of the church as a whole has improved. There is a greater desire on the part of many of the members to work for the salvation of souls than at any time since we took over the mission. Some who were a few months ago quite indifferent are now among our most earnest workers. The District Conference held here lately proved a great spiritual blessing to the people of this church. Several of the young men received exhorters' licenses and are now hard at work preparing for next year's examinations. Several did finely in the local preachers' examinations. We have here a theological school without the name. Mr. Richards for three hours daily devotes his time to two classes of young men who are studying theological subjects. Both Mr. Richards and the young men do this in addition to their regular mission work. In their examinations this year these students reflected great credit on their teacher and their own ability to acquire knowledge. Our orphanage is divided into two departments; one for the elder and the other for the younger boys. The two departments are about an eighth of a mile apart, and the boys have no contact with each other, save as they meet in the industrial departments. And here, as their work is not the same, they have but little contact. The industrial departments are composed of a carpenter and furniture department, cane works, and a tailoring shop. We have lately begun the manufacture of toys. Twenty-four miles from here there is a mission farm on which there are some of our boys. In these different departments we employ some of our people who are now married, but were brought up in the orphanages. There are four villages of independent

farmers, families that received their start in life, after leaving the orphanages and getting married, from Miss Anstey. These farms have thus far placed the people beyond want, but this year is likely to prove an exception, as the crops now lie wilting on the ground. Our people naturally now look to us for help. What we shall be able to do for them will depend largely on the amount of help we receive from America. We are confident that when our real needs are known the Church in America will readily come to our assistance.

## VI. MADRAS.

### 1. *Black Town*, Rev. W. F. G. Curties, Missionary.

The pastor preaches once on each Sabbath in English, but his real work is with the Tamil and Telugu people, to whom he gives most of his time and strength.

The usual street preaching and distribution of Scriptures and tracts have been diligently attended to, and God has been blessing the labors of his servants. Many are inquiring: "What must we do to be saved?" And while a large number are not ready to follow the instructions given, some gladly receive the message of salvation through Jesus Christ and embrace him as their Saviour. Only a few days ago Mr. Curties was permitted to baptize three converts from Hinduism. Each of them gives good evidence of having found the Lord.

### 2. *Vepery*, Rev. W. L. King, Missionary.

The pastor writes: The work on this charge has prospered during the year. There has been a very heavy loss on account of removals and deaths, but the loss has been at least partially made up by new arrivals. There has been no wide-spread revival, but some have been converted; and at the present time there is a spirit of deep conviction in a part of the work, and every thing indicates a good spiritual harvest. The spiritual condition of the charge is good. A special indication of this is seen in the fact that earnest and extensive work of a spiritual nature is systematically carried on by a large number of the members. The members of the Epworth League have engaged actively in Christian work. Special lines of work that have been vigorously carried on are hospital visitation, house to house visitation, and tract distribution. In addition to these, several members teach in our mission Sunday-schools and help hold religious meetings. An important work among poor and destitute Eurasians is under the special charge of the League. Much of the work being done in this charge may be fittingly called city mission work.

### 3. *Methodist Episcopal Publishing House*, Rev. A. H. Baker and Rev. W. L. King, Agents.

The work of the publishing house during the past year has been very satisfactory. We have been able to meet all expenses, pay a few hundred rupees on old indebtedness, and reach the end of the year in an encouraging financial condition. It has been a matter of much regret throughout the year that the funds at our disposal did not permit us to do much more in providing suitable literature for our rapidly increasing force of



workers, and to do more aggressive work by issuing larger numbers of tracts designed to reach the masses of the people. The grant received from the Sunday-School Union and the Tract Society will prove of untold value to us. The Sunday-school lessons have been enlarged, and now each lesson makes a leaflet of four pages, comprising notes and questions on the lesson and questions from the Catechism. During the past year two four-paged papers of demi-quarto size have been printed; one of them for Europeans and Eurasians and the other for natives. The following items give an idea of the work done. The figures given are for nine months ending August 31, 1891 :

Number of bound volumes printed.....	39,925
Number of pages of Sunday-school leaves.....	168,000
Number of Sunday-school cards.....	82,750
Number of tracts printed.....	127,000
Number of Scripture portions bound.....	33,834
Number of New Testaments bound.....	1,385
Number of Bibles bound.....	956
Number of other volumes bound.....	40,185
Total number of volumes bound.....	76,360

Nearly every thing issued from the Press the past year has a direct bearing on mission work. Much difficulty has been experienced in providing suitable books for our exhorters and local preachers. Steps have recently been taken, however, to obviate this difficulty, and we now hope to supply this need in part during the ensuing year; but to adequately meet this pressing demand of our work in three vernaculars will require some years, unless special financial help is given for this distinctive work. We feel that this work is a sacred trust, and that our work in South India demands much more in this direction than our resources have thus far allowed us to do.

#### VII. MULBAGAL.

##### B. Luke, Native Preacher.

There is a weekly shandi (market) held here, at which many hundred people gather to buy, sell, and see the sights. This affords us an excellent opportunity for preaching to those who come from out-stations, which we try always to improve. We are also able to dispose of large numbers of Christian books and tracts. The preacher's house has fallen and a new one must be built, or our work here must suffer in consequence of our preacher not residing here. Seventy-five dollars is needed for this purpose.

#### VIII. ROLLINGPUR.

##### S. Noah, Native Preacher.

We have a small Christian settlement at this place. It received its name from an English lady who gave most of the money to found it. About thirty more families could be supported here, if we had the money to give them their first start in life. But nothing of this kind could be undertaken, even if we had the money, until we have passed through the present fam-

ine. There are a large number of native villages within easy access of this place which are frequently visited by the preacher.

#### IX. SRINIVASPUR.

S. Noah, Native Preacher.

As yet we have had no conversions here, though considerable work has been done with the people, and there have been many inquirers.

#### DEACONESS HOMES.

As the deaconess work will be reported in the annual report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society it is not necessary to report it here. But in justice to these sisters, who are so abundant in labors in and out of the church, we desire to record our high appreciation of their work, and to acknowledge the fact that, though their work is in a sense independent of the Parent Society, we are constantly reaping the good results of their abundant self-denying labors, both in our church at Vepery and in our Bangalore schools.

#### APPOINTMENTS FOR 1892.

BOMBAY DISTRICT.—Rev. J. E. Robinson, P.E.

*Bombay*: Bowen Church, J. Baume; *Grant Road and Marathi Mission*, W. W. Bruere and Gangadha Kali; *Gujarati Mission*, J. Park; *Mazagon*, C. G. Elsam; *Baroda*, E. F. Frease; *Igatpuri*, G. Grenan; *Kampte*, W. E. Robins; *Nagpore*, F. Shaw; *Poona*: *English Church*, J. O. Denning; *Marathi Church*, D. O. Fox; *Lanowlee*, J. Hill; *Thanna*, A. W. Prautch.

HYDERABAD DISTRICT.—G. K. Gilder, P.E.

*Bellary*, J. Parker; *Gulbarga*, D. O. Ernsberger; *Hyderabad*: *English Church and Hindustani Mission*, G. K. Gilder; *Gangawarum*, J. H. Garden; *Kopbal*, B. Peters; *Secunderabad and Telegu Mission*, W. L. Clarke; *Yelunda*, C. B. Ward.

MADRAS DISTRICT.—A. H. Baker, P.E.

*Madras*: *Tamil and Telegu Mission*, W. Curties; *Vepery*, W. L. King; *Agents of Press*, A. H. Baker and W. L. King; *Bangalore*: *Richmond Town*, A. H. Baker; *St. John's Hill*, R. Sorby; *Baldwin Schools*, A. H. Baker; *Canarese Mission*, J. B. Buttrick; *Kolar*, W. H. Hollister and J. A. Richards.

SINDE DISTRICT.—G. I. Stone, P.E.

*Kurrachee*, G. I. Stone; *Seamen's Mission*, J. Madden; *Marathi Mission*, to be supplied; *Quetta*, to be supplied.

## STATISTICS OF SOUTH INDIA.

Circuit or Station.		Foreign Missionaries.	Assistant Missionaries.	Foreign Missionaries.	Native Workers of Wom. For. Miss. Society.	Nat. Ordained Preachers.	Native Teachers.	Other Helpers.	Members.	Probationers.	Adherents.	Average Attendance on Sunday Worship.	Conversions during the year.	Adults Baptized.	Children Baptized.	No. of Teachers in same.	No. of Pupils.	No. of other Day-schools.	No. of Sabbath-schools.	No. of Sabbath Scholars.	No. of Orphans.	No. of Churches and Chapels.	N. of Halls and other Places of Worship.	No. of "Homes," or "Homes."	Estimated Value of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Value of Orphanages, Schools, Hospitals, Book Rooms, etc.	Debt on Real Estate.	Collected for Missionary Society.	Collected for other Benevolent Societies.	Collected for Self-support.	Rupers.	Rupers.	Collected for Church Building and Repairing.	Rupers.	Contributed for other Local Purposes.		
Bombay District.																																					
Baroda: English Church.		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gujarat Mission		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bombay Bowen (Eng.) Ch.		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Grant Road and Khetwady		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gujarat Mission		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mumbai Mission		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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Karachi: English Church.		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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Nazore.		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Poono and Lanowli Eng. Ch.		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Marathi Mission.		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bishop Taylor High-school.		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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Bellary		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hubbarga.		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kopar.		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hyderabad: English Church.		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hindustani Mission.		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tezga Mission.		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Secunderabad.		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madras District.																																					
Bangalore English Circuit.		2	2	2	10	8	2	2	12	6	18	15	15	15	30	10	13	175	2	242	1	7,000	1	7,000	30,000	60	8,900	30	40	1,233	61	1,932	61	1,233	61	1,932	
Kannai Circuit.		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kolar.		2	2	2	10	8	2	2	12	6	18	15	15	15	30	10	13	175	2	242	1	7,000	1	7,000	30,000	60	8,900	30	40	1,233	61	1,932	61	1,233	61	1,932	
Podikote.		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bowlingpet.		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mulbagal.		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rollingpur.		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Srinivasapur.		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madras: Blacktown.		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Veper.		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Publishing House.		1	1	1	5	4	1	1	6	3	9	8	6	8	17	1	2	2	50	5	6	1	1	1	15,000	153	180	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total.		23	21	5	17	39	74	86	903	319	1,546	2,336	358	152	138	8	36	422	55	2,155	168	7,063	142	27	225,100	60,310	54,740	305	600	34,126	6,993	34,126	6,993	6,993	6,993	6,993	
Last year.		23	21	7	21	210	78	3	616	963	1,067	2,033	262	90	95	3	35	365	70	2,557	105	5,711	68	27	205,350	38,310	55,555	837	891	83,532	5,832	83,532	5,832	5,832	5,832	5,832	

NORGE.—Volumes printed during the year, 39,925, at Vepery; pages, 377,750. Rupee worth about 40 cents.

## III.

## BENGAL.

Commenced in 1872.

Organized as a Conference in 1886.

BISHOP THOBURN HAS EPISCOPAL SUPERVISION.

## APPOINTMENTS.

BURMA DISTRICT.—Rev. Julius Smith, P.E.

*Rangoon*: *English Church*, Julius Smith, Missionary. *Seamen's Mission*, Henry Girshom. *Tamil Mission*, Ezra Peters. *Telugu Mission*, Robert E. Cully.

*Toung-hoo Mission*, S. Joseph.

W. F. M. S.

*Rangoon*: *Girls' School*, Miss M. E. Files, Miss F. A. Perkins. *Orphanage*, Miss F. A. Scott. *Woman's Work*, Mrs. Smith.

CALCUTTA DISTRICT.—Rev. Frank W. Warne, P.E.

*Asansol*: W. P. Byers, Missionary; local preachers and exhorters, 5.

*Calcutta*: *English Church*, F. W. Warne, Missionary. *Bengali Work*, S. N. Das, Native Minister; local preachers and exhorters, 24. *Hindustani Work*, B. Luther; local preachers and exhorters, 2. *Seamen's Work*, G. Henderson.

*Pakur*, Neils Madsen, Missionary; local preachers and exhorters, 4.

W. F. M. S.

*Asansol*, *Woman's Work*, Mrs. Byers; Bible-women and teachers, 3.

*Calcutta*: *Girls' School*, Miss E. L. Knowles, Miss Daly. *Deaconess Home*, Pastor's Assistant, Miss E. Maxey. *Bengali Work*, Miss K. A. Blair; Assistant, Miss Oram; Bible-women and teachers, 2.

*Calcutta*: *Hindustani Mission*, Mrs. Warne; Bible-women and teachers, 2. *Medical and General Work*, Mrs. Thoburn. *Seamen's Work*, Mrs. Meik, Mrs. Conklin. *Ooriya Work*, Bible-woman and teacher, 2.

*Pakur*, Bible-women and teachers, 3.

NARBADA VALLEY DISTRICT.—Rev. Clark P. Hard, P.E.

*Burhanpore and Khandwa*, A. C. Vardon, Missionary; local preachers and exhorters, 5.

*Jabalpore*: *English Work*, M. Tindale, Missionary. *Hindustani Work*, C. P. Hard, Missionary; Paul Singh, Native Minister; local preachers and exhorters, 44.

*Harda*, T. E. F. Morton, Missionary; local preachers and exhorters, 2.

W. F. M. S.

*Burhanpore and Khandwa*, Mrs. Vardon; Bible-women and teachers, 4.

*Harda*, Mrs. Morton; Bible-woman, 1.

*Jabalpore*, Mrs. Hard and Mrs. Tindale; assistants, 3; Bible-women and teachers, 5.



## MUSSOORIE DISTRICT.—Rev. D. Osborne, P.E.

*Lahore: English Work*, A. T. Leonard, Missionary. *Hindustani Work*, C. H. Plomer, Missionary; local preachers and exhorters, 6.

*Meerut*, E. S. Busby, Missionary; Yaqub Cornelius, Native Minister; local preachers and exhorters, 24.

*Mussoorie, English Work*, D. Osborne, Missionary.

*Mussoorie and Rajpore, Hindustani Work*, P. M. Buck, and F. J. Blewitt, Missionaries; local preachers and exhorters, 2.

*Mussoorie, Philander Smith Institute*, P. M. Buck, Principal.

*Muzaffarnagar*, J. D. Webb, Missionary; local preachers and exhorters, 9.

*Patiala*, Antone Dutt, Native Minister; local preachers and exhorters, 3.

*Rurki*, C. W. De Souza, Missionary; local preachers and exhorters, 11.

W. F. M. S.

*Lahore: General Work*, Mrs. Leonard. *Zenana Work*, Mrs. Plomer, Bible-women and teachers, 3.

*Meerut, Woman's Work*, Mrs. Busby; Assistant, 1; Bible-women and teachers, 4.

*Mussoorie, Girls' Schools and Zenana Work*, Mrs. Buck; Assistant, Miss Atkinson. *General Work*, Mrs. Osborne.

*Muzaffarnagar, Girls' School and Zenana Work*, Mrs. Webb; Bible-women and teachers, 2.

*Rajpore, School and Zenana Work*, Mrs. Blewitt; Bible-women and teachers, 2.

*Rurki, Girls' Schools and Zenana Work*, Mrs. De Souza; Bible-women and teachers, 7.

## TIRHOOT DISTRICT.—Rev. Henry Jackson, P.E.

*Muzaffarpore*, H. Jackson, Missionary; local preachers and exhorters, 2.

*Samastipore*, W. Peter, Local Preacher; exhorter, 1.

*Chapra*, J. Roberts, Local Preacher.

*Darbhanga*, Matthew, Local Preacher.

*Sitamari*, J. Peter, Local Preacher.

W. F. M. S.

*Muzaffarpore*, Mrs. Jackson; Bible-women and teachers, 5.

## BURMA DISTRICT.—Rev. JULIUS SMITH, P.E.

In July, 1890, Rev. W. R. Clancey returned to America, and the English church was given over to Rev. F. E. Warner. The workers in the mission were hardly sufficient before, and the departure of an experienced missionary from the district occasioned a considerable loss, especially to the English congregation. In January, 1891, the presiding eldership, pastorate of the English church, and honorary secretaryship of the Girls' School and Orphanage fell upon a novice in missionary work. Early in the year Rev. F. E. Warner left us and joined another church. Notwithstanding our numbers were insufficient for the work, yet we are able to report progress in each department.

1. *English Church.* The membership of this church has never been large. But from the organization thirteen years ago by Bishop Thoburn, there have been a number of faithful and generous men and women who have done much to build up the mission. Our membership has increased, and the congregations are as large as they ever have been in the history of the church. During the part of the year for which we give a report there have been a number of conversions among soldiers as well as civilians. We have two Sunday-schools, one of them for the children of soldiers. They are both well organized, are self-supporting, and number in all one hundred and sixty. The financial claims are as easily met as those of any church we know.

2. *Seamen's Mission.* This is under the charge of Rev. Henry Girshom. He faithfully visited the ships during the shipping season with good results. The ship officers and crews look with pleasure to the services held, and when ashore visit our *Seamen's Rest*. This institution has more than paid its way for the calendar year, a result seldom attained before in its history. No better commentary on this branch of mission work need be asked than that of ship-masters who after years of absence return to speak of the good done them and their crews by our workers of years ago.

3. *Tamil Work.* We record another year of regular work by our native preacher, Brother Ezra Peters, and several assistants. A number are gathered in each year, and then they depart for other places. In this way the gain in Rangoon is offset by loss. We now have Christians in several villages. They are visited regularly by the native workers and occasionally by the missionary.

4. *Telugu Work.* The Telugus are much like the Tamils as regards their relation to mission work. They are transient. Rev. R. E. Cully has done steady work among them. A helper in a village near has led a number of his people to Christ. A school with an enrollment of fifty-six is kept up and has done good work.

5. *Girls' High-school.* This school is better organized than ever before. Owing to active competition the numbers are not quite so high as they have been at times in the past. But the work done was never better. Spiritual work is emphasized and several conversions have occurred. Miss Files is in charge and is ably assisted by Miss Perkins and an efficient corps of teachers.

6. *The Orphanage.* This institution has always been a popular one. The people of Rangoon give liberally to sustain it. As a consequence good results have been secured from the beginning. While it has cared for a larger number of children this year than ever before, still it is better off than at any previous period as regards its finances. There are at present forty-two children in this home and several have been placed in good families during the year.

7. *Finances.* At the beginning of the year there was an indebtedness in the work of 14,700 rupees. Of this sum over 9,000 rupees have been paid. The educating of a boy will pay the interest on 3,000 rupees more.

We have promise of a substantial donation to further reduce our debt in the near future.

8. *Burmese Work.* A Burmese school with a Burmese Christian teacher was opened a year ago under the supervision of the missionary. We had good words for him, but no money. He had intelligence, industry, and devotion to the enterprise. As a result we have a school with an average attendance of thirty-eight boys. Two items are significant. The school supports the teacher by the fees paid. They pay 28 rupees per month. Four boys, from sixteen to eighteen years of age, have been baptized in the school and one whole family is ready to follow. With a little help scores of such schools could be opened. They are waiting for Christian schools in which English can be learned. These schools would be nearly self-supporting.

#### CALCUTTA DISTRICT.—Rev. FRANK W. WARNE, P.E.

This year has been one of steady prosperity on this district. The list of separate charges is given below, with a report of the work in each.

#### CALCUTTA, ENGLISH WORK.—Frank W. Warne, Pastor.

The English church, which has often been reported, continues its good work. The congregations are large, there are conversions weekly, and it is exerting a good influence throughout the city.

The Calcutta Girls' and Boys' Schools are carrying on their work with increasing prosperity. The Boys' School within a year and a half has had an increase of over one hundred boys. Both schools have an efficient corps of teachers and a high moral tone. Excellent work is being done in every department.

The Deaconess Home is considered a great success in Calcutta. The English Bengali and Hindustani work are all being reached from this energetic center; and we hope the time is near when the number of deaconesses will be greatly increased.

George Henderson, who has charge of the coffee-rooms and seamen's work, writes: "Our Seamen's Mission is still doing a good work among the sea-faring class of all nations. Gospel meetings are held in the chapel every night, and over a hundred have professed salvation at these meetings. The reading and refreshment rooms in connection with the mission are well attended and greatly appreciated by the seamen. Much good is done by the services held on board ship, and by the free distribution of tracts, books, and Bibles to the seamen, as well as food and clothing to the destitute. The work is assisted by government to the extent of 3,000 rupees annually, and 5,000 rupees are received from merchants and other friends in the city."

Rev. J. H. Messmore, editor of the *Indian Witness*, reports: "The *Indian Witness* is one of the most important agencies of the Methodist Episcopal Church in India. The paper was started twenty years ago because it was felt that such an agency was necessary. But the need of maintaining such a paper and the field for its activities are immeasurably

greater now than twenty years ago. It tends to the unification of our Methodism, now reaching from Beluchistan to Borneo. It serves the common interest of our various churches in a thousand ways. It helps the newer portions of our work to profit by the experience and progress of those places where the work is now fully established and moving with greater momentum. It enables us to make known our work, and when necessary to explain or defend our methods or our doctrines. It is an important member of the fraternity of religious newspapers in India whose combined influence more than quadruples the effectiveness and prosperity of missions generally in this country. The number of its Christian readers is steadily increasing, and the rapid spread of the English language in India adds daily to the effectiveness of English periodicals as direct missionary agencies among the non-Christian people of this land. Let the home Church not forget the *Witness*."

Rev. C. G. Konklin, agent of the Methodist Publishing House, Calcutta, says: "This press has been doing a good work during the year. It has turned out 2,840,935 pages of religious literature, besides the work of the job department, the profits from which enable us to do tract work at a very low rate. This house does all manner of work in English and Bengali, and now has in hand about a million pages of Bengali book work which is not included in the large number of pages given above as work actually finished. We publish three Christian periodicals, one in English and two in Bengali; also a large number of tracts and Sunday-school literature. Besides the printing department we have a book depot. The stock is not very large, but we are carefully and systematically adding to it. We feel that our Calcutta house is in a better position than it has been in in some time, not only financially, but in location. We removed last May from the old quarters in Dacre's Lane to 45 Dharmtolla Street, which is just opposite our large English church, and only a minute's walk from our two large schools. We are just where we want to be—on one of the principal streets of the city and right in the midst of our work. The old debt that was on the house, contracted to put in the plant, has been reduced by one half during the year. We are putting forth every effort to discharge it entirely. It is useless here to discuss the necessity of our having a publishing house, but as time goes on we realize more and more that without it we would be short of one of the most powerful means for the cheap dissemination of the Gospel."

#### CALCUTTA NATIVE WORK.

Rev. S. N. Das, who is in charge of the Bengali work, writes: "We have had a year of steady progress in every department of Christian work. We look back upon it with thankfulness and are encouraged for the future, knowing that God is on our side. We are profoundly thankful to our heavenly Father for the marked increase of spiritual activity and life among our churches in the city, suburbs, and villages. The gratifying prosperity in our primary schools, which at present number fourteen, with an attendance of four hundred and eighty, cheers our hearts. The Sunday-schools have been worked with vigor and strength. The children



of both sexes number six hundred and twenty. Colportage in nearly every station of our circuit, and a large number of gospels and other Christian books, have been put into circulation. Ninety-five thousand tracts have been distributed, and 110 rupees' worth of books have been sold. Through the help of the W. F. M. S. much valuable service has been rendered by the women employed in the villages and city. Twenty-one adults and forty-five children have been baptized. The strength of our Christian community is now seven hundred in round numbers. In the villages we have two important sub-circuits: Jhanjra and Diamond Harbor. These two are again divided into thirteen circuits, with three hundred and ninety-two Christians. We greatly need more money and men to carry on the work effectively. Two years ago we had not an inch of ground in the villages, but now we have three chapels in central places, and three dwelling-houses for preachers. The cost has been met by money raised in Calcutta.

"Rev. J. P. Meik has brought out a series of tracts in Bengali. Of these six thousand two hundred have been sold since May last. Good is being done in this way. The extension of the work is greatly desired.

"A new and prosperous mission in the city of Calcutta among the Ooriya people has been recently opened. There are large numbers of these people in the city."

#### ASANSOL CIRCUIT.—Rev. W. P. Byers, Missionary.

The work on this charge is in a cheering condition. The services are well attended and several conversions have taken place. The Sunday and day schools have an increased attendance, and the first blades of our seed-sowing begin to appear. We have a growing Christian community; several have been baptized and others have given up their idolatry.

A good Bengali worker has been sent us this year, and we trust that the work in this language will soon bear fruit.

A diligent Bible-woman is daily sowing the good seed of the word in the hearts of the women of the district, who, as they learn more about Christianity, are becoming less prejudiced against it.

A most suitable property has been secured for the leper asylums, which are now nearly finished. Four thousand rupees more has been donated for this branch of the work. The money is from Scotland. The teaching among the lepers this year has resulted in two baptisms, and we believe a number of others will soon decide for Christ.

The debt on the mission house has been liquidated, and a set of out-houses have been put up and paid for.

A school building for Bengali girls is in course of erection, and we expect to open it free of debt at the beginning of the new year.

The medical department which has been added this year has afforded the missionary many opportunities, while giving treatment, to tell of the Great Physician who can cure the sin-sick soul. This kind of work paves the way to the hearts of the people, and at times the gratitude expressed for kindness shown is indeed touching.

While chronicling God's goodness and marvelous loving-kindness we should thank him especially for the experience gained and for the good health vouchsafed, through which we have been enabled to go in and out among the people. Thus raising our Ebenezer, we turn another milestone in our history as a circuit, with the prayer that our Master may accomplish his work in us and through us, that we, "approving things excellent, may be sincere and without offense, being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the praise and glory of God."

**PAKUR CIRCUIT.**—Rev. N. Madsen, Missionary.

This station is situated about one hundred and seventy miles from Calcutta, in the valley of the river Ganges, in the midst of an immense population consisting chiefly of Hindus and Mohammedans. This work was opened in a most providential manner, and by the blessing of God it has been developing year by year. The power of God has accompanied the proclamation of the Gospel and bigoted Mussulmans have humbled themselves at the foot of the cross.

Our converts have been mostly from among the Mohammedans, but of late a break has occurred among the Hindus, and we glorify our Saviour for every soul saved.

The Boys' Orphanage in connection with the mission is in a prosperous condition. We are collecting money for an industrial school in connection with this orphanage, and hope before long to have it started.

Reflecting upon every thing connected with our work, we confess that the blessing of God has been with us during the past year.

**NARBADA VALLEY DISTRICT.**—Rev. C. P. HARD, P.E.

This district has been known for some years as the Central India District. It now bears the name of the river that flows through its territory from east to west. Until the last Conference the Ajmere Circuit was in this district. It was then transferred to the North India Conference. This transfer involves the loss of two hundred and nineteen members and probationers to the district.

**JABALPORE, ENGLISH WORK.**—Rev. M. Tinda'e, Pastor.

The past year has been a successful one, though attended with care and trial. The membership is changed in numbers but little, though transfers and removals have been numerous. The congregations have been large and on Sunday evenings crowded. The increase of the number of class-meetings, making them more accessible to those scattered throughout the station, has been a stimulus to zeal and earnestness. The mid-week prayer-meeting has been characterized by the revelation and supply of spiritual needs, and many answers to prayers have been recorded. Fulfilled petitions have in many cases strengthened faith and trust. A flower mission and hospital visitation work have been a great blessing to the workers and those ministered unto. Souls have been converted and the church membership increased in this way. The Sunday-schools have

increased in numbers and prosperity. Meetings for the children have been systematically held. A native Sunday-school has been kept up by the English school. From this English Sunday-school future missionaries are expected to work among the heathen. A Christian service is held weekly for beggars, and then alms are given out to them. Friends supply the funds. An Epworth League has done good work among the young people. The young ladies of the church have been very helpful in providing bouquets for the hospital, in sacred concerts, in temperance meetings, tract distribution, etc. The successes of the year excite deep gratitude. The opportunities that might have been much better used cause profound regret.

JABALPORE, NATIVE WORK.—Rev. C. P. Hard, Missionary; Rev. Paul Singh, Native Minister.

This circuit is divided into four sub-circuits. 1. *Jabalpore*. A dozen native helpers are pushing the work in this field. There are forty places where peculiarly accessible classes are found. 2. *Chandawara*. This place is thirty-three miles west of the center at Jabalpore. Baldeo Parshad, who is in charge here, has a dozen assistants stationed in the villages around. 3. *Narsinghapore*. Here Paul Singh and his associate, Robert, have about a dozen pastor-teachers under their supervision. The Swedish Lutheran Society has for years past had a mission here which is shortly to be taken over by Bishop Thoburn. 4. *Gadawara*. This place is eighty miles west of Jabalpore. Devjee, a graduate of the Bareilly Theological Seminary, is in charge. He has eight assistants under him. This region is one of the most densely populated in the Central Provinces. These sub-circuits all lie along the railway and are very accessible. We are thankful for such a force of workers, for such a promising field, and for hundreds of converts within the past few months. Pray for us that the Holy Spirit may teach, regenerate, and sanctify these people.

BURHANPORE AND KHANDWA CIRCUIT.—Rev. A. S. E. Vardon, Missionary.

1. *Burhanpore*. In this part of the circuit the year has been one of trouble and disappointment. Of the eighty-four who were last year baptized among the Mahars, all but one left us and went back in the early part of the year. They became fearful that their connection with us would prove hurtful to their interests. In their weakness they severed their connection with us. They are, however, coming back again. About twenty have rejoined us, and the work among them is steadily progressing. Two of them are workers in the mission and are doing excellently. Others are preparing for baptism. They are a promising people to labor among.

Three special difficulties confront the workers in this field. 1. The region is comparatively unproductive, and the conveniences and comforts are far less than in the more favored parts of India. 2. No Christian community of standing for any time exists to furnish us workers or to hold up the newly gathered converts. 3. Hitherto too many of our

workers in this part have been men who have been tried in other missions, and either becoming dissatisfied or being unsatisfactory, have come to us. The two or three we have are our only help. Notwithstanding these drawbacks in the way of progress, still God has given us a stronger foothold among the people than we ever had before.

The dispensary has continued to exert a large influence for good. It has for years been self-supporting. Additional funds, however, would have added much to its power for good.

The zenana work has been carried on by Mrs. Vardon. She has been helpful to the women in various ways. She has given special attention to them in sickness.

2. *Khandwa*. This part of the circuit has been in a much better condition than Burhanpore. All our converts have been holding on and more have been added this year. The Christian community labors under the grave disadvantage of having no old and established Christians to lead them. There is a great paucity of preachers and teachers to instruct them in doctrine and the use of the means of grace. The distances, moreover, are great, and the amount of work that can be done is not equal to what it otherwise would be. The membership is slightly decreased, but they are in an improved condition.

An extensive winter campaign is contemplated by the missionary and a large harvest is expected.

#### HARDA CIRCUIT.—Rev. T. E. F. Morton, Missionary.

The work in this circuit is steadily progressing. The church services and Sunday-school are regularly kept up and well attended. The wards of the city have been regularly visited and the Gospel faithfully preached. The work in the village had to be suspended during the rains, which have been unusually heavy. This work will now be resumed again with vigor. The outlook for a good winter campaign is cheering. The native brethren have shown commendable zeal in their work. We have six vernacular Sunday-schools, with an attendance of two hundred and seven children. A few have been baptized in the village work since the last home report was made.

#### MUSSOORIE DISTRICT.—REV. D. OSBORNE, P.E.

The Mussoorie District comprises seven mission stations. Each of these stations has many sub-stations, and each sub-station again has a cordon of villages attached to it, which are visited, preached in, and cared for by our native workers. For example, the station of Meerut has nine sub-stations, and some of these sub-stations cover a tract containing twelve or more villages in which work is being done. This represents a wide distribution of work; and yet as the eye looks over the broad tract, and the teeming population gathered in swarming villages through the country, one cannot suppress a sigh that our means and forces preclude our occupying more than a very small fraction of this great field. Imagine a tract larger than the combined States of New York, Pennsylvania,



New Jersey, and Maryland, and a population more than a third that of the United States, and then observe that this great field is manned by but eight missionaries and supported at a cost of less than \$10,000.

The work of the district may be properly grouped into three sections: English work, educational work, and purely native work. All three are essentially and equally missionary work; and though separately presented, are co-related in such a way that upon the advance of each depends measurably the prosperity of the whole.

#### ENGLISH WORK.

We have English churches at Mussoorie, Meerut, Rurki, and Lahore, and at three of these points we have our own church property. These churches have good congregations and are doing effective spiritual work. In Rurki a tasteful and commodious church building has been recently completed and dedicated. At all these places effective Sunday-schools are maintained, and many forms of church activity manifest the spiritual life of the people. The healthful influence of these churches upon our missionary work cannot be overrated. They remove the barriers of a nominal and godless Christianity (a lamentable reproach in heathen lands), raise up a spiritually converted and witnessing people ready to co-operate with missionary effort, and develop important and valuable resources in men and money for the prosecution of our work. This will be appreciated when it is noted that out of the eight missionaries now engaged on the district no less than five have been raised up from our English work; while the money contributed this year by the Mussoorie District alone for missionary work amounts to 4,500 rupees.

Nor must it be forgotten that English work is not confined to those already Christian in name. At every important point multitudes of educated Hindus and Mohammedans are found, who may be addressed, and often prefer to be, in English; so that the most aggressive and direct missionary work by the English preacher is done in this way.

#### EDUCATIONAL WORK.

Our limited means preclude our engaging in the work of education except so far as it serves as an entering wedge among accessible classes, and as a means of training and educating our Christian converts. Of the former, we have a number of small schools situated in villages and suburbs of cities, superintended by the pastor-teachers whose aim it is to make secular instruction the vehicle of Christian knowledge; and thus to prepare the people—not children only—for a reception of the truth. Such elementary schools are most valuable, and could be multiplied almost without limit if means were forthcoming. Twenty such schools have been maintained through benefactions secured by Bishop Thoburn last year at Mr. Moody's Northfield Convention. Here is an opportunity for a Christian capitalist who is anxious to embark a small capital for the speediest and largest outturn in results.

Schools for the training of Christian converts are most effective as

boarding-schools; and we have these at Rajpore, Rurki, and Meerut. Want of means has prevented that increase which the work demanded; still thirty boarders are receiving Christian training and instruction in these school homes, and we await means to easily quadruple this number.

At Mussoorie is located our large boarding-school for European Christian boys known as the Philander Smith Institute (founded through the liberality of Mrs. Philander Smith, of Oak Park, Ill.). This is in the most direct sense a missionary institution, for it aims not only to impart spiritual instruction to the well-to-do lads of northern India, and to imbue them with missionary zeal and interest, but it directly maintains a missionary training or theological class in its regular curriculum, in which specially fitted young men are trained for regular missionary work. The institute has enrolled one hundred and seventeen scholars, and four young men have been in attendance in the theological class. A number of our missionaries' sons find here a congenial and well equipped home.

#### NATIVE WORK.

This work is vigorously prosecuted in the vernaculars of the natives all over the district. It is divided into pastoral and evangelistic. Under the first, care is exercised to promote the spiritual well-being and education of our Christian converts by means of pastors, religious services, Sunday-schools, camp-meetings, etc. No branch of our work is regarded of more importance. We believe that all the possibilities of divine grace are available to the poorest and most ignorant of our converts; and in this belief it becomes our duty to use every means to bring them to the full stature of manhood in Christ. Certainly in no other part of the wide world's field will it be found that a larger proportion of converts get ready in as brief a time to themselves become laborers in the field from which they were gathered. Almost all our sources of cheapest workers, in nearest contact with the people, are those who have been themselves reaped, and that quite recently, from the harvest field in which now they are laboring.

The evangelistic work develops features of continually varied interest; yet, on the whole, it is the regular reaping of previous sowing and labor. The zealous teacher and evangelist, projecting Christian truth from his village school, gathers around him a number of true hearted and interested, though for the most part ignorant, inquirers. These are taught and proved and sifted by time, and though some prove transient or untrue, a fair residue of intelligent adherents to the truth is the reward of faithful labor at almost every point. Baptisms have been abundant—about one thousand, to date from the beginning of the year—in every circuit comprised in the district. The converts themselves in many instances become most diligent in persuading their friends and relatives to embrace the true faith. In Meerut itself, as well as in the country around, a large ingathering has been made. In the Rurki Circuit the number of baptisms has exceeded three hundred. In Muzaffarnagar Circuit the missionary has had good success among the Chumars, while high-caste converts

have not been wanting, and a Brahmin lately baptized is now in training for the work. In the mountains—Mussoorie and Rajpore—native converts are comparatively few and sparse; but even here there have been several baptisms. In Lahore itself, the capital of the Punjab, there have been very interesting breaks in the city itself at three points, and in the villages around. In Patiala, a State under purely native rule, previously unoccupied by any mission, our native missionary has been faithfully laboring for two years. At the beginning of this year he was re-enforced by a few select workers. Two or three accessible points were chosen for special effort; a town called Sanawar, close to Patiala City, was selected as the chief objective point; schools were opened and regular Christian instruction begun. Many difficulties, persecutions, and menaces were interposed, but were prayerfully overcome. The work of religious instruction went on quietly and without noise, like the slow drilling of the rock for the final crash. On August 10, a memorable day, in company with our preachers, we visited the town and held a remarkable service lasting some hours. We were menaced for a time by hostile Mohammedans and others who tried to break up our assembly, but God gave us the victory, and that night we baptized one hundred and seven persons, and the next day thirteen more in that town, all of whom continue steadfast. The flames have broken out in other parts of this great native State, and we are only restricted by limitations of men and money.

This brief review of the work being done may, I trust, be of interest, not so much for what has been accomplished through the feeble agency at work, as for the emergent and pressing need which it discloses. A whitened field is before us, but the very opportunity lays upon us a responsibility of tremendous magnitude. May God through his Spirit stir up his people every-where to recognize the door of opportunity open before them, and with whole-hearted consecration to enter in and possess the land!





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REV. J. C. FLOYD, D.D., *Superintendent*.

We deeply regret that the Superintendent of the Mission, having been stricken with heat-apoplexy, is under the necessity of returning to the United States to regain his health. He is already on his way, and will soon be here. We sincerely trust that in the home climate he may fully recover his health, and be ready for much heroic service for the Master in days to come.

## APPOINTMENTS.

*Superintendent of the Mission*, J. C. FLOYD.

BORNEO.—H. L. E. Luering.

MALACCA.—To be supplied.

PENANG.—D. D. Moore, B. H. Balderston.

SINGAPORE.—Chinese Mission, B. F. West, Lim Hoai To, local preacher. English Church, J. C. Floyd. Malay Mission, W. G. Shellabear, A. Fox, local preacher, H. Norris, exhorter. Tamil Mission, H. L. Hoisington, local preacher. Anglo-Chinese School—Principal, R. W. Munson; assistants, C. E. Copeland, A. J. Watson, R. C. Ford, A. E. Breece, G. F. Pykett, J. F. Webbe.

Left without appointment to attend one of our schools, W. T. Kensett.

WOMAN'S WORK.—Missionary Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Miss Blackmore. Superintendent Anglo-Chinese Boarding-school, Mrs. Munson. Chinese Work, Mrs. West. English Work, Mrs. Floyd. Malay Work, Mrs. Shellabear. Zenana Visitor, Miss Fox. Tamil Girls' School, Miss Beins, Miss Norris. Chinese Girls' School, Miss Wheatley. Zenana teachers, Miss Leicester, Miss Angus, Miss Beins, Miss Keun, Miss Carapet, Miss Wheatley.

## Superintendent Floyd reports as follows :

The year has been one of hard toil by all our missionaries and helpers. The favor of God has been upon us, and our efforts have been rewarded. We have planted and watered, and we give praise to God, who hath given increase. We have been permitted to thrust the sickle and gather somewhat of the harvest. Our mission has lost and gained in its force this year. It has lost its former superintendent, W. F. Oldham, and his wife; it has gained a new superintendent, J. C. Floyd, and his wife. It has lost W. T. Kensett; it has gained B. H. Balderston. The mission now has the largest force engaged in active work of any time in its history.

The year is memorable in that two mission stations have been planted in the "regions beyond." Borneo and Penang are now hearing the "joyful sound" from the lips of Methodist missionaries. Other open doors are before us; these we must enter soon.

#### SINGAPORE.

Our work in this city has several departments.

1. *The English Work.*—This work up to the last Annual Meeting was under the efficient pastoral care of the Rev. D. D. Moore, M.A., B.D., a recruit to our work about one year and a half ago from the Methodist Church of Canada. Under his care the church prospered and grew in membership and attendance at the Sunday services and social meetings. The Epworth League has been a very helpful agency in holding open-air evangelistic services, in tract distribution, and in visiting at the hospitals and prisons.

The average weekly attendance upon the prayer-meetings is three fourths or four fifths of the number in church membership. The present pastor is giving a weekly Bible-reading, which is also largely attended.

The Junior Epworth League holds a weekly meeting, led by Mrs. Floyd, in which regular instruction in our Catechism and the Bible and hymns is given, and the religious life and experience of the children are promoted.

All in all, the English work seems to be steadily moving forward and accomplishing much good.

Some special meetings for the conversion of sinners have been held, and some special meetings for the sanctification of believers, with blessed results in each case.

The superintendent of the mission has had the pastoral oversight since the Annual Meeting last April, while his wife has had charge of the Sunday-school.

2. *The Chinese Work.*—This may be divided into two branches, evangelistic and educational.

About a year and a half ago our Chinese mission work proper was begun by Rev. B. F. West, M.D., first in the Malay tongue, and afterward—as soon as Dr. West could go to China and learn to speak it—in the Hokien dialect of the Chinese language.

God gave us fruit, and soon there were several baptisms, and about nine months ago a Chinese Church was organized, which now has forty-three members and an average Sunday congregation of nearly a hundred. Dr. West has the true spirit of the missionary, and God has greatly blessed his labors. His influence among the Chinamen is rapidly growing, and his mission is increasing rapidly also. He now has one assistant preacher, a native Bible-woman, besides a class-leader, a Sunday-school superintendent, and exhorters, all of whom are active and aggressive in Christian work. The last Quarterly Meeting held by the superintendent was a service of great interest in every way, from its Quarterly Conference to its closing communion. The attendance was very large, the interest very deep, and the Spirit of the Lord was present.

One important adjunct of this mission is Dr. West's medical dispensary work. Dr. West was a practicing physician before he came to Singapore, and he has opened a free dispensary for the poor Chinese who are unable to pay for medical treatment. And here, where the people come for relief from physical ailments, they hear the Gospel every day. Every man who comes for medicine hears of the "balm in Gilead," and the Physician there, and many who hear are saved.

The educational work consists of an Anglo-Chinese school, which enrolls about four hundred boys and young men from heathen homes, who daily hear the reading of the word of God and prayer, and receive instruction from Christian teachers in the branches of an English education. In connection with this school there is a boarding department presided over by Mrs. Rev. R. W. Munson, in which several Chinese boys who attend the school reside.

There is also a Sunday-school held every Sunday, to which pupils of the school are invited to study the word of God with their teachers. The result of our school work has been for God's glory in the weakening of the faith of these boys and young men in their heathen idols and in the conversion of several to Christ.

A new school-building is now in progress which will cost when completed not less than \$10,000, and will greatly add to our facilities for work.

Three new teachers have come to strengthen the teaching staff during the year: Mr. G. F. Pykett, from England; and Mr. A. E. Breece and Mr. R. C. Ford, from America.

Rev. R. W. Munson is the present principal, and is doing his best to keep the school in pace with its past remarkable record.

3. *Malay Work.*—This also has two branches, the preaching and the printing. Rev. W. G. Shellabear is in charge. He preaches every week in the Malay tongue to the Malay people, and then distributes tracts among them printed by our mission press, of which he is the manager. The Malays are Mohammedans and very hard to reach with the Gospel. They have a lofty disdain for it. Now and then, however, an earnest inquirer after the truth is found, and the work is not utterly dark. "This kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting." Possibly the mission workers among the Malays must give more heed to these words of our Lord before many visible results will follow.

Brother Shellabear is working hard and sowing the good seed of the kingdom. We trust that fruit will be many fold in coming days. The money for the printing-press was largely raised through the efforts of Dr. Oldham in America, mostly given by friends there. The press is very busy printing tracts and copies of the gospels and other Scriptures, whose leaves we trust will be for the healing of the nations. Perhaps the future may see a great Malaysian publishing-house built on the foundation of our present little mission press.

4. *The Tamil Work.*—This, like the Chinese work, is evangelical and educational. Our missionary in charge is Rev. H. L. Hoisington, a native Tamil from Ceylon. Every Sunday he preaches two or three times to the

Tamil people, and on the week-days he has charge of the Anglo-Tamil school with two assistant teachers.

The work of the past year has not been greatly prosperous, but has held on about as a year ago. There have been a few baptisms and good work has been done. For best results a foreign missionary must have the oversight, the same as in the Chinese and Malay work. When such a man can be secured (and one is now in training) this work will take a good "hitch forward."

5. *The Woman's Work.*—This, under the fostering care of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, is in charge of Miss Sophia Blackmore, who is keeping up to her past excellent record, passing it, indeed, and going on unto perfection. The work is growing constantly in every way, and plans are made for considerable extension in the year to come. This hard-working young woman needs a colleague for some new work which should be undertaken, and the Home Society has been asked to send another missionary here. If it be done there will be the sound of a going in the mulberry tops in this woman's work of Malaysia—doubt it not. Before this report shall be in print, we expect a new school-building will be in process of erection for the girls' school, in which fifty girls and more are daily taught. Many girls are taught in private houses, and many homes are regularly visited by the zenana workers, who take the Gospel to the Chinese women imprisoned by social custom within the walls of their own homes. The woman's work is doing well.

#### BORNEO.

Shortly after the close of the Annual Meeting, the superintendent of the mission went with Rev. H. L. Luering to seek a place at which to begin a mission in this great island of the sea. Several weeks were spent in the search. Several points were visited in the northern portion of the island, which is under British control, and some exploring trips were made into the interior; and all possible information was gathered concerning the natives, and the best location for our mission.

At last it was decided that Brother Luering should remain at the mouth of the Kimanis River in British North Borneo, and begin some work among the natives near the coast, of whom there were considerable numbers living in villages along the river; and later, if possible, extend the work eastward over the mountains in the densely populated Limbawang country. If this should not be found practicable, Brother Luering may move into Dutch Borneo farther south in the island. We found an interesting class of people, kindly disposed toward us, almost destitute of any religion. We hope that our work in Borneo will be permanent and successful, and do much in giving to our Lord the heathen for his inheritance.

#### PENANG.

Penang is the second city in the Straits Settlements, situated about four hundred miles north-west of Singapore. It has a population of about one hundred and twenty-five thousand people, mostly Chinese and



Tamils. At the last Annual Meeting it was decided to open a mission in this city, and Rev. D. D. Moore and Rev. B. H. Balderston, two of our best missionaries, were chosen for the important task of beginning the enterprise.

Brother Balderston went in advance and opened a school on the same plan as our Anglo-Chinese school in this city, and within a few weeks was joined by Brother Moore, who not only entered the school to assist in teaching, but also opened a hall for regular Sunday service in English.

Already the school numbers about fifty, and a small but constant congregation hears the Gospel every Sunday. A girls' school has been opened already, and there is much promise of a good mission in this place. There is need here, as in Singapore, for work among the English, the Chinese, the Tamils, and the Malays.

These brethren are working day and night to the very limit of their strength to meet the pressing demands upon them in this field. They are men in whose vocabulary there is no such word as "fail." The outlook is far less promising than in Singapore when the mission was started there, but it has promise and will succeed.

We are grateful to God who has watched over us during another year and kept our workers in life and health, and grateful that he has blessed our efforts so that we can report substantial advancement during the year. We trust that the God of hope may fill us with all joy and peace in believing, that we may abound in hope through the power of the Holy Ghost.

A monthly religious paper, called *The Malaysia Message*, has been started by our mission, edited by the superintendent and published by our mission press. It is intended to make this paper a help to all Christian workers here of whatever name, and a means of giving information concerning the progress of Jesus's kingdom here to our friends at home. We have "begun small," and perhaps may never "grow tall," but we hope our little paper will help on the battle for our King, and help to advance the day when "the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea."

### STATISTICS OF MALAYSIA MISSION.

CIRCUIT OR STATION.	Foreign Missionaries.	Assistant Missionaries.	Native Preachers.	Native Teachers.	Other Helpers.	Members.	Probationers.	Adherents.	Average Attendance on Sunday Worship.	Conversions during the year.	Adults Baptized.	Children Baptized.	No. of Day-schools.	No. of Day Pupils.	No. of Sunday-schools.	No. of S. S. Scholars.	Churches and Halls for Worship.	Mission Homes.	Boarding-school.	Value of Church Property.	Value of Mission Press.
English Church.....	1	1	..	..	..	80	12	300	200	10	5	5	..	..	1	100	..	1	..	\$10,000	....
Chinese Mission.....	1	..	1	1	4	24	16	65	60	15	11	..	..	..	1	20	..	1	..	..	....
Tamil Mission.....	..	..	1	1	..	3	10	35	30	5	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Malay Mission.....	1	1	..	1	12	..	..	..	25	..	..	..	..	..	1	15	..	..	..	..	..
Borneo Mission.....	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	\$1,500
Penang Mission.....	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	25	20	..	..	..	1	35	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
W. F. M. S. ....	1	..	..	..	10	..	..	25	25	..	..	..	2	97	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total .....	7	3	2	3	16	107	38	425	360	30	20	5	4	182	3	135	2	1	1	\$10,000	\$1,500

NOTE.—Chinese Mission: Value of School Property, \$20,000. English Church: Collected for Self-support, \$1,200; Chinese Mission, \$35; Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, \$645.

# BULGARIA.

Commenced in 1857.

BISHOP MALLALIEU HAS EPISCOPAL SUPERVISION.

## APPOINTMENTS.

REV. GEORGE S. DAVIS (Nebraska), *Superintendent*. (P.-O., Sistov.)

*Dobritsch*, supplied by Ch. Pavloff. *Gabrova*, G. Eleiff (East German). *Hotantz*, Z. Dimitroff (probationer, Detroit). *Loftcha*, E. F. Lounsbury (New York East). *Orchania*, I. Dimitroff (Detroit). *Plevna*, S. Getcheff (East German). *Rasgrad*, supplied by M. Delcheff. *Rustchuk*, T. Constantine (Minnesota). *Rahova*, supplied by Y. Tswettkoff. *Selvi*, J. I. Economoff (Newark). *Shumla*, I. Toderoff (Detroit). *Silistria*, P. Tickcheff (India). *Sistov*, D. C. Challis (Detroit). *Tirnova*, P. Vasileff (Detroit). *Tulcha*, to be supplied. *Varna*, K. G. Palimidoff (probationer, Detroit). *Yaidjea*, supplied by D. Christoff.

*Literary and Theological Institute*: *President*, D. C. Challis. *Professors*, S. Thomoff (Newark), M. G. Vulcheff (Pittsburg), Bancho Toderoff (Detroit), G. V. Popoff and A. Meshkoff.

W. F. M. S.

*Loftcha, Girls' High-school*: *Principal*, Miss L. A. Schenck (in U. S.); *Assistant*, Miss E. E. Fincham; three additional teachers. *Hotantz*, one teacher; *Rustchuk*, one teacher and one Bible reader; *Orchania*, one teacher; *Varna*, one Bible-reader; *Sistov*, one teacher.

Rev. George S. Davis, Superintendent, reports as follows:

Bulgaria, "our door to the Greek Church," opens with difficulty. The hinges are still rusty from the mildew of pagan rites and magical incantations. The orthodox clergy, regarding their functions from a financial point of view, are hostile to sectarianism. Two orders of heresy are recognized. The Italian or Austrian can with perfect liberty exercise his Catholicism, the Turk his Mohammedanism, the Israelite his Judaism, or the German his Lutheran faith; but it is heresy of another order for the Bulgarian not to abide within the pale of the orthodox Church. While both foreigners and Bulgarians are accorded protection in the constitution for propagandism, the former will meet with fanatical opposition from the ecclesiastical hierarchy; and the Bulgarian espousing either Catholicism or Protestantism must prepare himself to be condemned by public opinion as an apostate—almost a traitor.

The writer recently addressed a note to the diplomatic representative of

a foreign government at Sophia, asking if the Methodist Episcopal Church could not legally become an aggressive force in Bulgaria, and not merely stand on the defensive. The following is a paragraph from his reply :

"I have often impressed on the Bulgarian government the advantages of encouraging your missionary labors in this country as an element of strength and loyalty, and I am bound to bear witness that I have always found the Minister of Public Instruction open to conviction and imbued with liberal views. Unfortunately, religious and political feeling render the execution of the good intentions of the government oftentimes very difficult, and in places where sectarian feeling is high they have been forced to give way to popular clamor, although opposed to their general principles. It must, consequently, for some time to come depend in great measure on the tact of the missionaries as to how far practical effect is accorded to religious freedom; but I have every hope that, by the exercise of the qualities so markedly exhibited by your section of the Protestant Church, you will gradually fortify your position in the country and enlist a large share of public feeling on your side, and be able without obstruction to extend your missionary work."

The following recent utterance of England's premier should interest all well-wishers of the Bulgarian Mission :

"Bulgaria's growth in civilization and in all the elements which make a nation strong has been wonderful. Though we must not forget the part which the rulers have played, though we must pay to them the tribute that is due to high statesmanship and gallant, courageous, tenacious adherence to duty, yet what strikes us with most admiration is the attitude and character of the people. Bulgaria has, as it were, passed over all those stages of infancy through which less favored nations are compelled to go. She has leaped into the world fully equipped with all the knowledge, experience, and prudence which only a long history and career could have conferred; and the result is that in the Bulgarians, in the character they have shown, as well as in the rulers they have provided for themselves, we look for one of the greatest guarantees and securities that the Eastern question will ultimately be solved in the manner which best suits the hopes of all who value human happiness, civilization, and progress."

The Bulgarian Mission will take a proud step in advance when such as enjoy the priceless heritage of religious freedom become its earnest advocates before the throne of grace. This cause, "providentially organized," is unwilling to don its grave-clothes at the instance of some one who must have forgotten that the Lord is not slack concerning his promise. The hydraulic pressure of enervating criticism from without and within the mission must give place to a federation of helpfulness and co-operation. The intellectual, political, and industrial activities of this field, fragrant with the incense of a newborn life, are hopeful indications that under the Spirit's invisible guidance the living seed-corn of knowledge must soon unfold a glorious harvest. But first the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear.

At our last Annual Meeting, in May, Bishop Walden introduced some

changes which will no doubt prove advantageous to the work. Among other things, the new superintendent was left free to perform the duties of a presiding elder, and the "time limit" being applied, some nine of the brethren became pastors of new charges, three going where we had not been. The bishop vigorously upheld the peculiar institutions of Methodism, and with strong thoughts and honest words encouraged the brethren to faithfulness in this most difficult field.

I have already traveled some fourteen hundred miles in visiting the different cities where we have work, preaching and administering the sacraments, Professor Vulcheff in the west and Brother Constantine in the east part of the mission rendering me valuable assistance. You may talk of the doolies of India, the swinging chair carriage of John Chinaman, or the jinrikishas of the Japs, but give me the plain britchka of Bulgaria, a springless wagon in which I have traveled sixty miles in one day over the roughest stone roads.

. At *Rustchuk*, the largest city in our mission (27,000 inhabitants), the bishop dedicated a beautiful stone church on Conference Sunday, valued at \$2,600, Brother Lounsbury's contributions to this enterprise almost equaling the grant from the Missionary Society. There was general regret that his appointment to another city occurred before he had enjoyed preaching in this new structure. We have here a splendid mission property.

*Hotantz*, a village of some sixty houses, has furnished its triumphs as well as its persecutions during the year. Here we have a modest house for preaching which is mission property.

At *Rasgrad* we have just begun work. Brother Delcheff, a graduate of Drew Seminary, with his wife, a graduate of Mr. Moody's school at Northfield, is in charge. Service was held on last Sabbath (September 27) for the first time, two from the city being present.

At *Shumla* we have our most flourishing society, which is yet unprovided with a church edifice. Here, where just thirty-four years ago this month the Bulgarian Mission was organized for work, we have a consecrated and energetic pastor, who truthfully announces that he can do little more until he has a church for his flock. The little room provided him is packed.

At *Varna* we have the best working society in the mission, all things considered. I recently preached here to a congregation of seventy, and organized the Sunday-school and Quarterly Conference. Before leaving Varna Brother Constantine had raised sufficient funds to place a good bell in the church steeple.

At *Dobritch* a young man has just opened the work. He has gathered a number to hear him preach, and will succeed.

At *Silistria* we have a promising cause inaugurated. Had more than a room full at service on a recent visit. I baptized a baby a few months old, whose mother still adhered to the orthodox Church. As we followed with the Lord's Supper, she presented the baby for the bread and wine, not able to see the difference in the two sacraments.

*Sistov* is furnished a good congregation by the students' and teachers'



families. We have other friends and members, however. This society has recently seated the church in a very comfortable and tasty manner. On account of the number of teachers and preachers residing here, this point will show the best financial standing.

At *Yaidjea*, a village south of Sistov, we have a few members. We hold our first Quarterly Meeting there next Sabbath.

At *Tirnova* four or five young men were converted in the spring. They were expelled in consequence from the government school. The charge brought was "religious moral depravity." More than a year ago a brother here advanced the money and purchased a lot for a church. The society has paid \$55 on the same and has \$20 more on hand for the same purpose. We earnestly hope for relief at this point also.

At *Selvi* our congregation is larger than ever before. We can buy at this point very eligible building lots at very low prices. Father Gabriel, who has been pastor here for the past twelve years, was at the last Annual Meeting stationed at Gabrova, some fifteen miles away, with the privilege of leaving his family in his own house in Selvi. Because of his own health, and that of a loved daughter who is dying of consumption, I have relieved him from Gabrova and continued him at Selvi as assistant pastor.

At *Loftcha* the new pastor has taken hold with a strong hand. In 1888 an appropriation was made for church lots, and in 1890 an additional appropriation to build a church; but owing to complications in securing the title we are still without the much needed house of worship.

At *Orchania* the society is blessed with a good parsonage and meeting-room combined. We are gaining here slowly.

At *Plevna*, as at Shumla and Tirnova, we have reached a point beyond which it is difficult to go without a church building.

At *Rahova* we have had a pastor since the last Annual Meeting. He has found many friends, but fails in getting a house to which they can be invited for public worship.

#### SELF-SUPPORT.

I have issued to each pastor printed forms for quarterly reports, which include a uniform and practical financial plan for the whole mission. The items are self-support, Missionary Society, church extension, education, Bible and tracts, Sunday-school, local improvements, current expenses, and other benevolent objects. The collections for church extension and education are to be used in the mission. Though the mission has been doing well for self-support, we believe our present system will enable us to do more and better work. The other items in our quarterly report, which likewise are to be answered only in figures, will afford us complete statistics for the whole mission each quarter.

#### COLPORTAGE.

This department has been in an unsatisfactory condition for some time, we paying as high as fourteen hundred per cent. on sales to our regular book-sellers. We are determined to so revolutionize this business that

by the spring of next year our books will be paying for their own distribution. Indeed, we have recently commissioned two competent and trustworthy men to whom we furnish books, some gratis and some for ten per cent. of the selling price, they receiving no further compensation, and paying all expenses. For the year ending with July we had printed one thousand six hundred volumes, or five hundred and forty-six thousand eight hundred pages, on our own press, besides which there had been printed one hundred and sixty-six thousand pages for the Chautauqua Society, for which pay was received. Drummond's *Greatest Thing in the World*, just from our press, is meeting with ready sale. We are hoping with the new year to be ready to publish a mission paper of the size of *The Gospel in All Lands*, except that it will have but sixteen pages. The members of our mission have been moved for some time to feel that we should have charge of the distribution of the Bible in this territory, and there appears to be much more than a denominational courtesy involved in the suggestion.

#### EDUCATIONAL.

Brother Challis reports: The total attendance during the past year in the *Sistof Scientific and Theological School* was thirty-three. These were divided into six classes. The course of instruction for the three lower classes is that prescribed by the ministry of education. It includes the elementary branches, with singing, gymnastics, drawing, and French. The fourth and fifth classes include Scriptures, rhetoric, natural sciences, higher mathematics, surveying, architecture, political economy, international law, and history of civilization. Those preparing for the ministry take also English. The sixth year is especially for the theological students. It includes discipline, church history, philosophy, theology, and homiletics. Our staff includes director and four teachers and two assistants. Recitations are arranged after the prevailing system of Europe—every subject is carried through the whole year with one to six lessons a week.

The new year opens with over forty students enrolled and a larger proportion paying than last year. Full official recognition is still withheld in respect to our higher classes. This deprives them of the customary exemption from military service, but it furnishes a sifting process, and while materially reducing our members, is still not an unmixed evil.

Provision for the future of our graduates is a most important question. In general they are not permitted to teach in the public schools, and necessarily so, for they are, in an important sense, parochial schools of the State Church. Only one of our students secured a position as teacher this year, although several applied. So numerous and emphatic were the refusals that we feel constrained to abandon all hope in this direction, and look to other openings by preparing for trades and professions less subject to the *odium theologicum*. A few serve an apprenticeship in our printing-office during their course. A little instruction in surveying and architecture will fit others for paying positions. A work-shop and a small model-farm would help us greatly in this work.

All this secular training must be given if we would attract to ourselves young men in sufficient numbers to admit a wise selection of candidates for the gospel ministry. We also need an acquaintance extending over several years to enable us to determine who are called of the Lord. An assured position with fair wages is usually enough to convince a young man religiously inclined that he is called to the ministry. This may seem strange to those who have witnessed the intense soul-struggle usually accompanying such a call. Sadly we miss the stimulus of a Protestant atmosphere.

The *Girls' High-school* at Loftcha has graduated twenty-five young women. Miss Fincham, the acting principal, reports that last year there were thirty-three pupils in the high-school and forty in the primary department. In the high-school there were thirteen registered as of the orthodox faith, and in the primary twenty-three. Thirteen from the high-school and five from the primary are members of our church. Three teachers are employed besides the principal. We believe that the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society is doing a great work in this school, and that adequate buildings should be provided for the increasing patronage of the school.

#### WHAT WE NOW NEED.

*Churches.* We must be considered from this stand-point. There is no place in the universe where churches are more essential to the minister's success than in the Bulgarian Mission. In thirty-four years' history we have received but about \$6,000 for church buildings. But few people can be induced to attend services in private houses. Without churches it is utterly impossible to succeed. Then, we need a modification of our educational work, at least to the extent of a school of mechanics. It will not do to always have more preachers than laymen. We want a school that will turn out what this country mostly needs, namely, educated Christian craftsmen. The mistake of a young man entering the ministry, when it should have been a workshop, looks even worse here than in America, and does more harm. There is a vast field for usefulness lying before us in this direction, while many other avenues seem closed. We must have more churches and more laymen.

## STATISTICS OF BULGARIA.

CIRCUIT OR STATION.	Foreign Missionaries.	Assistant Missionaries.	Foreign Missionaries, Wom. For. Miss. Society.	Native Workers of Wom. For. Miss. Society.	Nat. Ordained Preachers.	Nat. Unordained Preachers.	Native Teachers.	Foreign Teachers.	Other Helpers.	Members.	Probationers.	Adherents.	Average Attendance on Sunday Worship.	Conversions during Year.	Children Baptized.	No. of Theolog'! Schools.	No. of Teachers in same.	No. of Students.	No. of High-schools.	No. of Teachers in same.	No. of Pupils.	No. of other Day-schools.	No. of other Day Scholars.	No. of Sabbath-schools.	No. of Sabbath Scholars.	No. of Churches and Chapels.	Estimated Value of Churches and Chapels.	No. of Halls and other Places of Worship.	No. of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Estimated Value of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Value of Orphanages, Schools, Hospitals, Book Rooms, etc.	Debt on Real Estate.	Collected for Missionary Society.	Collected for other Benevolent Societies.	Collected for Self-support.
Raschuk	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	28	5	60	55	8	8	1	6	85	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$2,600	..	1	\$5,200	\$8,000	..	\$22 75	\$1 90	\$30 00
*Starof	2	2	2	3	4	4	1	1	1	36	6	15	63	8	2	1	6	60	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,800	..	1	1,800	4,500	..	80 00	16 00	..
Lotofka	1	1	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	17	12	15	6	15	6	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8,800	..	1	8,800	..	17 82	..	..	
Trifonova	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	9	5	4	16	6	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Varna	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Shumla	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	1	1	20	8	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Holmaza	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	2	15	18	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orchanka	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	1	9	20	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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# ITALY.

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## APPOINTMENTS.

WILLIAM BURT, P.E., 57 Via Cavour, Rome.

*Adria and Gavello*, Antonio Savarese; *Bologna*, Bernardo Bracchetto; *Canelli*, Augusto Manini; \* *Dovadola*, P. Monetti; \* *Florence*, S. Vincenzo Ravi; *Foggia and Termoli*, Constantino Tollis; *Forlì and Faenza*, Vittorio Bani; *Geneva*, Edoardo Tourn; \* *Genoa*, Edoardo Stasio; *Milan*, Felice Dardi; *Modena*, Crisanzio Bambini; *Naples*, Pietro Taglialatela; *Palermo*, Aristide Frizziero; *Pavia*, Ernesto Filippini; *Perugia*, Giovanni B. Gattuso; *Pisa*, Gualtiero Fabbri; *Pontedera*, to be supplied; *Rapolla and Melfi*, Giovanni Cavalleris; \* *Rome*, Gaetano Conte and E. Borelli; *S. Marzano and Alessandria*, Paolo Gay; *Terni*, Domenico Polsinelli; *Turin*, Giovanni Pons; *Venice and Mestre*, Bruno Bruni; \* *Venosa and Palazzo*, P. G. Ballarini; \* *Vicenza and Arzignano*, to be supplied.

T. Enrico Borelli, Member of the Quarterly Conference, Turin.

Federico Cruciani, Member of the Quarterly Conference, Turin.

Daniele Gay, Member of the Quarterly Conference, Genoa.

E. S. Stackpole, Director of Theological School, Florence.

William Burt, Giacomo Carboneri, E. E. Powell, and E. E. Count, Professors in the Theological School.

William Burt, Editor of Publications.

Miss E. M. Hall and Miss M. E. Vickery, Woman's Foreign Missionary Work, Rome.

BIBLE-WOMEN.—*Forlì*, Miss Ernestina Passerini; *Milan*, Mrs. Campari; *Pisa*, Miss Stella Biondi; *Rome*, Mrs. Elvira Mondo; *Turin*, Miss Monta.

Rev. William Burt, D.D., Presiding Elder, reports as follows :

Perhaps there is no mission work that presents such varied aspects as that in Roman Catholic countries. It is always impossible to predict from one month to another what will be the probable result. In Italy we touch the very heart of Romanism; hence we feel more quickly and keenly its influence. Romanism is so politic (in fact, it is all politics) that to-day, clothed as an angel of light, it appears attractive and benignant, while to-morrow, assuming a garb of terror, it threatens, judges, and excommunicates. According to the times, circumstances, and place, it plays the changes on

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\* Local preachers, acting as supplies.

these different words. Being in its present form and spirit a creature of the Jesuits, it is the most politic institution, or in other words the greatest political machine, in the world. Its whole spirit, aim, and *modus operandi* is political. The Propaganda at Rome has no other object in view than the political domination of all those who are brought under its influence. To obtain this end it adopts all means within its reach. In America it will go arm in arm with Protestants, and appear with them on the same platform; in Italy it persecutes, ostracizes them, and covers them with infamy. For centuries this has been its mode of operation. Hence, the character of the people among whom such a baleful influence has been exerted has suffered immensely, so that their religion consists in dogging Satan by cunning artifice, and in gaining the favor of the Deity by external devotional performances. In judging of the work of our Church in this country we must always keep in mind these facts. There are two points, also, from which we must examine the work of the Protestant Churches in Italy—the indirect influence exerted, and the direct efforts and their results.

If we look back over thirty years, we cannot but wonder at the marvelous way by which God has led this people out of bondage. They are yet, however, in the desert of indifference and unbelief. It would seem sometimes, also, to the casual observer that the Italians were somewhat indifferent to the hostile attitude of the Papal Church. To us who are here, however, one thing is evident, that the gap between the Church and people is constantly widening.

On October 2, the anniversary of the *Plebiscito*, when the Romans chose Victor Emanuel as their king, an incident occurred that clearly demonstrated where the heart of the people stood. Some French Catholic pilgrims committed an outrageous offense in the Pantheon, at the tomb of Victor Emanuel. In an hour all Rome was wild with demonstrations of protest, and before night the news had aroused all Italy. All political party lines were for the time forgotten in a unanimous protest against the papal attitude and pretensions.

Thus God, by his overruling providence, is preparing the way for the turning of this people to himself. There are not only these evidences of the separation of the people from their former superstition, but there are also many incidents to show that a reaction has already begun in the minds of many thoughtful persons against the general antipathy to all religion.

The day is not far distant when this nation, which has had such a prominent part in the history of the Church, shall return to the primitive faith. The problem is how to prepare for and hasten that day. This problem we are earnestly trying to solve, and the Lord has blessed us in a marked degree during the past year.

We have been able to set at work a printing-press that has greatly helped the general work by printing posters, handbills, invitation cards, and tracts. We have regularly published every week our paper, the *Evangelista*, acknowledged to be the best Protestant paper now published in

the country. It is read by many who do not belong to our Church, but who secretly sympathize with us—members of Parliament, and even priests of the Romish Church. From all parts of the country we have received letters of commendation and appreciation.

We have also published the ablest work on the Sunday-school lessons, which has been adopted by nearly all the other denominations. This, too, has had a very beneficial influence on our position and work during the year. An interesting and illustrated *Life of Wesley*, for children, translated by Mrs. Rosa, of the Wesleyan Church, has just been issued from our press, which has received high praise from all, and especially the papers of other denominations. We now have in press a manual for the probationers of our Church, a work that has long been needed.

The Sunday-school work has received special attention, and there was a net increase during the year of one hundred and forty-seven scholars. The Secretary of the British Sunday-School Union, who visited Italy last spring, pronounced our schools the best organized and most efficient in Italy.

We have also done what we could in the day and evening schools. In some of our stations we have been able to organize branches of the Epworth League that do efficient work. One of the most serious difficulties with our work in Italy has been the non-employment of the lay element. The Epworth League solves that problem for our young people, who are to be the men and women of the Church in a few years.

During the year there were revivals in several of our stations. There were many instances of clear conversion, and a net gain in membership of one hundred and thirty.

There is no Church so well calculated to evangelize Italy as the Methodist Episcopal Church. Her doctrine, spirit, and methods are precisely adapted to the Italian thought and character. The more we can carry on the work according to our spirit and methods, the larger are the results.

Next spring, if all is well, our theological school will yield its first fruit, when three young men will enter the work. Let the Church have patience for a few years, and we hope great progress may be seen all along the line.

During the year two noble men have fallen from our ranks—one a layman, and the other a superannuated minister.

Signor Caviliere Giuseppe Variale died in peace and triumph at his residence in Soccaro (near Naples), February 19, 1891. He loved the Church while he lived, and generously remembered it at his death. He was a man of strong character. Under the Bourbon rule he had been exiled and imprisoned for his convictions. He knew what it was to suffer for Christ, and now he reigns with him.

Father Borelli (for so we called him) passed away September 16, 1891, at Torre Pellice. He had been connected with our work from the beginning. He was a man of strong convictions and great ability, especially as a writer. He combatted for the faith in the face of the terrible Inquisition. To escape its wrath he was obliged to flee to England, where the Lord still

more clearly opened his heart and mind to the truth. After the day of wrath had passed he returned to preach Christ to his fellow-countrymen.

While these noble heroes fall, we close up the ranks and march on, trusting in Him who has promised that the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdom of our Lord.

One of the most important steps in the history of this mission has been the purchase this year of a magnificent property in Rome. It is situated on Via Venti Settembre (20th of September), so called because over this street September 20, 1870, the Italians entered Rome. It is next to the War Department, and only a short distance from the royal palace. We are now praying that God will put it into the heart of some one or more of our noble laymen in America to erect on this conspicuous site a building that shall be worthy of our great Church.



# STATISTICS OF ITALY.

CIRCUIT OR STATION.	Foreign Missionaries.	Assistant Missionaries.	Foreign Missionaries.	Wom. For. Miss. Soc.	Native Ordained Preachers.	Native Unordained Preachers.	Other Teachers.	Members.	Probationers.	Average Attendance on Sunday Worship.	Conversions during the year.	Children Baptized.	No. of Teachers in same.	No. of Day-schools.	No. of Sabbath-schools.	No. of Sabbath Scholars.	No. of Churches and Chapels.	Estimated Value of Churches and Chapels.	No. of Halls and other Places of Worship.	No. of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Estimated Value of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Value of Orphanages, Schools, Hospitals, Book Rooms, etc.	Debt on Real Estate.	Collected for Missionary Society.	Collected for other Benevolent Societies.	Collected for Self-support.	Contributed for other Local Purposes.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																			
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 NOTE.—Last year: Native Workers of the W. F. M. S., 6; Adherents, 1,330; Collected for Church Building and Repairing, \$830.67; Volumes Printed during the Year, 97,800.

# JAPAN.

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## APPOINTMENTS.

AOMORI DISTRICT, J. W. Wadman, P.E.

*Akita*, to be supplied. *Aomori Circuit*, Kawasumi Harutoshi. *Fujisaki*, Inuma Masami. *Hirosaki*, H. W. Swartz. *Hirosaki Circuit*, Ikeda Tokumatsu. *Odate Circuit*, Hasegawa Tomokichi.

W. F. M. S.

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W. F. M. S.

*Caroline Wright Memorial School*, Principal, Miss Augusta Dickerson; Professor, Miss M. S. Hampton. *Evangelistic Work*, Mrs. John Wier.

NAGASAKI DISTRICT, I. H. Correll, P.E.

*Fukuoka* and *Kurume*, Otake Tsunenari. *Kagoshima*, Kawase Kotaro. *Kajiki*, to be supplied. *Kokura*, Tanaka Shin-ichiro. *Kumamoto*, Kurimura Saehachi. *Nagasaki*, Kimura Shichijiuro. *Nagasaki-Deshima*, H. B. Johnson. *Saga*, Takegami Bujiro. *Sendai* and *Agune*, Ushijima Rintaro. *Yanagawa* and *Miike*, Shirozu Makoto. *Yatsushiro*, Nakayama Chiujo. *Chinzei Gakkwan* (*Cobleigh Seminary*), Principal, D. S. Spencer; Professors, H. B. Johnson, E. R. Fulkerson. J. C. Davison, absent on leave.

W. F. M. S.

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NAGOYA DISTRICT, W. S. Worden, P.E.

*Atsuta* and *Kariya*, to be supplied. *Gifu* and *Kitagata*, Ichiku

Keitaro. *Handa* and *Kamezaki*, to be supplied. *Komaki* and *Ushiyama*, to be supplied. *Nagoya*, Miyama Kanichi. *Nishiwo*, Sautomi Gensaku. *Shinshiro* and *Ebinura*, Yamada Shumpachi. *Tahara*, to be supplied. *Toyohashi*, to be supplied.

H. Yamaka, left without appointment to attend one of our schools in the United States.

W. F. M. S.

*Nagoya Girls' School*, Principal, Miss M. A. Danforth; Professor, Miss M. E. Wilson. *Evangelistic Work*, Mrs. W. S. Worden.

SENDAI DISTRICT, Matsumoto Sogo, P.E.

*Morioka*, Yamada Genjiro. *Sendai*, Hiraoka Komajiro. *Shirakawa*, to be supplied. *Yamagata* and *Tendo*, Iida Kanezo, one to be supplied. *Yonezawa*, Yamaka Motojiro.

W. F. M. S.

*Yonezawa Girls' School*, Principal, Miss M. E. Atkinson. *Evangelistic Work*, Miss L. Imhof.

TOKYO DISTRICT, Julius Soper, P.E.

*Ajiki* and *Mizukaido*, to be supplied. *Sakuyama*, to be supplied. *Sawara*, Nagano Chiujo. *Tokyo*: *Aoyama*, Honda Yoitsu; *Asakusa*, to be supplied; *Ginza*, Ogata Sennosuke; *Kanda*, Ishikawa Wasuke; *Mita*, Honda Itsuke; *Okubo*, supplied by Kudo Michinobu; *Tsukiji*, Ishizaka Kameji; *Yotsuya*, Hirata Heizo. *Utsunomiya*, Kosaka Keinosuke. *Tokyo Gospel Society*, J. G. Cleveland. *Tokyo Ei-wa Gakko* (*Anglo-Japanese College*), President, Y. Honda; *Theological Department* (*Philander Smith Biblical Institute*), Dean, M. S. Vail; Professors, G. B. Norton, J. F. Belknap, Yamada Toranosuke; *College and Preparatory Departments*, Dean, J. O. Spencer; Professors, Miss J. S. Vail, Miss H. S. Alling, B. Chappell, F. T. Beckwith. *Publishing Agent*, C. Bishop, F. T. Beckwith, assistant.

W. F. M. S.

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YOKOHAMA DISTRICT, G. F. Draper, P.E.

*Honjo*, supplied by Hosoi Mansaku. *Iida*, supplied by Hiraoka Kise. *Kanagawa*, Matsuura Jiukichi. *Kawagoe*, Nakada Kiukichi. *Kumagae*, Onuki Bunshichi. *Matsumoto* and *Adzusa*, Okada Toyoji. *Matsushiro*, supplied by Komoriya Tsunekichi. *Odawara*, supplied by Horigome Shinji. *Oiso*, supplied by Noda Tamami. *Shimamura*, supplied by Nakazawa Kazuharu. *Takato* and *Sakashita*, Suzuki Giichi. *Tobe*, supplied by Kasahara Tamijiro. *Yokohama*, Aibara Yeiken. *Yokohama Gospel Society*, to be supplied. *Urawa*, to be supplied.

F. Ohlinger, Missionary to Korea.

W. F. M. S.

*Bible-women's Training-school*, Principal, Mrs. C. W. Van Petten.  
*Day-schools*, Miss A. S. French. *Evangelistic Work*, Mrs. Dr. Draper,  
Mrs. G. F. Draper.

Rev. H. B. Johnson, who was appointed by the mission to edit the annual report, writes :

The present force on the field consists of 21 missionaries of the parent board, including two ladies and one Japanese ; 22 Japanese elders, 4 deacons, and 16 probationers ; 15 supplies, and about the same number of local preachers not regularly employed ; and 25 ladies of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, with a number of Bible-women under their direction.

The force seems large, yet we greatly miss those that we have recently lost—last year Dr. Long by death, and Brothers McInturff, Frantz, and Green by transfer, and this year Brother Davison, who is home on leave. Brother Correll, who returns to the field, and Brother Beckwith, who comes as a re-enforcement, were heartily welcomed. With such a large force the Church at home naturally expects large results.

While the gains have not been large, solid and substantial work has been done—work which will tell in the future evangelization of the empire. Nine young men from our theological schools were admitted to the Annual Conference, six from Aoyama and three from Nagasaki. The principal gains are as follows: In members, 246; in Sunday-school scholars, 233; in amount raised for pastoral support, 205 yen; and for current expenses, 337 yen.

Missionaries of all denominations agree that to hold our own without losing during the present crisis means more than large accessions at other times. The reaction which has set in against mission work is believed to be only temporary. The schools especially have suffered greatly, but there are already indications of a larger attendance of students during the current school year. While the diminished number of new students has made impossible the usual number of converts in the schools, yet a fine opportunity has been offered to train those already admitted and thus fit them for lives of usefulness. In some parts of the field, particularly at Nagoya, the Church has been greatly persecuted; yet history has repeated itself, and the persecutions have been followed by gracious revivals of religion.

The reports which follow are full of interest, and should be read with great care. Particular attention is called to that of the Hakodate District, and to the testimony of the native presiding elder of the Sendai District concerning the work of the foreign ladies stationed at Yonezawa. The report of the educational work is that presented to the Annual Conference by the standing committee on education, composed of three missionaries and three Japanese pastors representing the whole field. Brief mention is made of the school work of the ladies of the W. F. M. S., though scarcely full enough to give an idea of the great importance of



their work. The report of the publishing agent presented to the Conference is so full that only a part of it can appear here.

It was generally conceded that the last session of the Conference was the best yet held. There was the utmost unity and harmony, the best of feeling prevailing from first to last. Bishop Goodsell presided at all of the Conference meetings. That he gave great satisfaction to all is evident from the complimentary resolutions unanimously adopted by rising vote. He also presided at many of the meetings of the Woman's Conference, and it was greatly regretted that he was unable to attend the meetings of the Missionary Committee, etc., where our estimates were considered.

#### AOMORI DISTRICT.—REV. J. G. CLEVELAND, P.E.

The work which I am called upon to represent is unique in several particulars. First, for its strict adherence to the itinerancy, especially as regards its presiding elders, I being the fifth in as many years; second, as to the number of preachers it has furnished the Conference, about one third of our effective force having come from within its bounds; third, for the conservativeness of the people; and, fourth, for being the only part of the empire that is wholly pre-empted by Methodism, there being as yet no other Church working in that region, if we except the Christians at Akita at the extreme southern end.

When appointed to this work a year ago I found that by the setting off of the Morioka charge to the newly formed Sendai District, there remained but two regularly organized Quarterly Conferences, Aomori and Hirosaki; but that the work extended from Aomori on the north to Akita on the south, a distance of one hundred and forty miles through one of the richest farming regions of the empire; not only this, but Akita Ken stands first in the empire in its production of silver and copper.

The work has quietly but steadily grown during the year, and our statistics will show an increase of about twenty-five per cent. over the membership as reported at last Conference.

In view of the situation, our District Conference voted to ask the bishop to divide the Hirosaki Circuit into three separate charges, as the extent of country covered and the number of preaching-places are so great that the work cannot well be attended to otherwise. Had it not been for the efficient aid rendered by our personal teacher, Mr. Tsuda, Brother Ikeda and his two local helpers would have been unable to carry on the work of this circuit successfully. Though Brother Ikeda has been abundant in labors, still it has been impossible for him to give the entire charge the due pastoral oversight, and the consequent growth has not been what it might have been.

Early in the year Brother Kawasumi, the pastor, and the people at Aomori, finding the rooms they were occupying as a church were not only ill-adapted to church purposes, but also too small to accommodate that vigorous and growing society, took steps toward the erection of a church building, and the removal of the Circuit Court from Hirosaki to Aomori at about that time made the purchase of the old court-house at Aomori

possible, and out of that they have succeeded in erecting for themselves a comfortable church home. There is still a debt of 300 yen on the church building, which if paid off would leave the church nearly or quite self-supporting. Much credit in this enterprise is due all the members for their self-sacrificing devotion, and we ought to devise some means to help them in the payment of this embarrassing debt.

The work at Akita, which is one of the most important centers in the north, is in a very discouraging condition, the class being composed of six or seven dissatisfied members of the Christian Church, and three or four of our own members who have moved in from other places. During the three years that work has been carried on there has been no actual growth.

It would be unjust not to mention the services rendered by Brother Okada in connection with his teaching in the school at Hirosaki. He has exercised a marked influence over the entire body of students, and has also organized a branch Y. M. C. A. which is developing much strength, and will prove a power in connection with the church and school work.

As the school work at Hirosaki has no official connection with this Conference, it has no proper place in this report, and I will simply say that in view of all the circumstances we shall recommend the mission to provide for two Christian Japanese teachers to work in connection with the American brethren in Hirosaki.

The woman's work on the district is in a more encouraging condition than it was a year ago, the brief visits of Mrs. Swartz and her helper to Goshogawara, Odate, and Aomori having greatly encouraged the workers at those points. Could these trips be made oftener they would be productive of great good.

I cannot close this report without expressing gratitude to our heavenly Father for his kind care over all the district during the year. While the homes of Brother Noda, myself, and especially Dr. Swartz have been visited by severe illness, still the lives of all have been preserved, and we feel like casting all our care upon him for the future, knowing that he careth for us.

Vote on the "Women Delegates" question: Total vote, 65—54 for, 11 against.

#### HAKODATE DISTRICT.—REV. J. WIER, P.E.

In presenting the annual report of this district our gratitude is due first to the "Head of the Church" for a gracious measure of success in all departments of the work.

The Hakodate Circuit comprises the towns of Hakodate, Nanai, Mori, Oshimambe, and Yamogashinai. The preachers appointed to this field Revs. Messrs. K. Nakagawa and H. Takami—have had a year of ceaseless activity and earnest effort, crowned with most favorable results. Every appointment has had its baptisms, conversions, and receptions; and the workers report the spirit of inquiry increasing. In the city of Hakodate there are four preaching-places, including the Gospel Society, and four Sunday-schools. The Hakodate church has added some sixty to its membership, while the Sunday-school attendance of the circuit has

nearly doubled. A marked evangelistic and spiritual character has pervaded the Sunday-schools, and the class-meetings under some six leaders are well attended and genuinely Methodistic. The circuit reports probationers, thirty-one; full members, one hundred and sixty-six; Sunday-school scholars, four hundred and fifty.

*Otaru Circuit.*—Otaru Circuit includes the towns of Otaru, Yoichi, Furubira, Zennebako, and Iwanai. This circuit, too large for three preachers, has been worked by Rev. K. Sawai with what local help he could obtain. The circuit has had a year of prosperity. It has doubled its membership and Sabbath-school attendance, and has increased largely its self-support; it offers \$500 toward the erection of a new church in Otaru city, and gives a young man to our ministry. The city of Otaru, the *entrepot* of the west of Yezo, the termini of railways and city of rapid strides, offers opportunities and calls loudly for action. The ensuing year must give it two preachers and a new church. Revivals and accessions have taken place at every appointment on the circuit. At Yoichi Mr. Suto, the leader of our society, died during the year, strong in faith. A great loss to the section! But God raised up a successor in Brother Sugino. Mr. Sugino is a graduate of a leading Tokyo school, principal of a private school in Yoichi, and looks forward to the ministry of our church.

At *Iwanai* a year ago we had but one member. Brother Ishikawa, of our Aoyama Theological School, spent a portion of last autumn in the town. A spirit of inquiry was aroused. Visits by some of our preachers followed. To-day we have a society of twenty members. Visiting there recently, I baptized some eight persons, including the leading telegraph, police, school, and hospital officials. These people most earnestly desire a pastor. Four contiguous thriving towns will form a compact circuit. They offer to pay all expenses, including part of the preacher's salary.

The city of Sapporo has hitherto been regarded as the territory of our Presbyterian and Independent brethren, and most rigorously have they worked it. But the growth of the city and the addition to the population of members of our Church from other sections of the country have led to a demand on the part of the members for a church of their own. The work has been placed under the direction of the Otaru pastor, whose caution and wisdom are guarantees of its proper development. This circuit reports probationers, sixteen; full members, one hundred and ten; Sunday-school scholars, eighty-seven.

*Kabato Circuit.*—Kabato Circuit includes the towns of Kabato, Ishikari, Kamigawa, Tachikawa. A regular Conference supply being unobtainable, Mr. Yagahashi, a local preacher, was placed in charge of the circuit. Times of refreshing through special revival services have been experienced. Probably no part of the field offers better opportunities than this circuit. It is in the agricultural region of Hokkaido, and includes within its bounds the proposed new capital of the island. The American "boom" is in progress. Towns are "springing up in a day." Our supply cannot begin to meet the demands. Contiguous are the "prison settlements," where hundreds of prisoners are demanding Bibles and commentaries and

where one hundred have been converted during the past year. Brother Yagahashi will go to one of our theological schools, and two preachers are in urgent demand.

*Fukuyama Circuit*, consisting of three towns, reports little progress, from the fact that it has been unable to obtain ministerial supply, and has had to depend for its ministrations upon the few visits of the Hakodate pastors.

*Schools*.—The educational institutions in the district are the "Caroline Wright Memorial School" for girls and the boys' school in connection with the Hakodate Gospel Society. The former—an extended presentation of whose work will appear in the reports of the W. F. M. S.—has enjoyed a most successful year, and easily stands first of all similar institutions in northern Japan. The thorough literary training is made tributary to the conversion of the soul and the construction of Christian character; while the regular instruction in the duties of the household and evangelistic work furnish the student for practical life. The careful discrimination exercised in the selection of the girls produces most favorable results.

The "Boys' Night School," begun less than a year ago, has had a sufficient supply of pupils. Three foreign and three native teachers lend their assistance. The Bible is used every evening, and one evening a week is devoted entirely to evangelistic exercises.

*Woman's Work*.—This department of effort is conducted by the ladies of the Parent and Woman's Boards and their native Bible-women. Six Sabbath-schools and weekly meetings for street children are maintained in Hakodate, which, with sewing meetings, religious meetings, and house to house visitation, make lives full of work for the Master. At Otaru Mrs. Utsumi, a former pupil of our Hakodate girls' school, now the wife of an official, and Miss Shibayama, from our Toyko girls' school, now a teacher in a government female institution, have had the oversight of the woman's work.

*Improvements*.—Under this head we notice the addition of a large wing to the "Caroline Wright Memorial School," painting of the Hakodate church and refurnishing parsonage, furnishing the Gospel Society's building at Hakodate, and repairs and furnishing of our meeting places at Otaru, Kabato, and Iwanai.

*Self-support*.—At every appointment on the district the rents and running expenses are paid by the congregation. The board of the preachers when itinerating is paid by the people of the locality where they are temporarily serving. The Hakodate pastor's salary is paid in whole and those of the Otaru and Kabato pastors in part. All the expenses mentioned under the head of "Improvements" have been raised by the congregations, with the exception of the wing to the "C. W. M. School," a sum to meet which was appropriated by the Woman's Board. The fees of the boys' school support it entirely, while the fees and board money of the girls' school are a considerable item in self-support. In addition to this, Otaru offers \$500 toward a new church, about half of which is reported as raised this year. We can place the item of self-support at \$1,383. Besides,



the connectional funds have received the usual attention. The urgent need of the district is preachers and churches. With these expansion is easy and a vigorous future for Methodism is assured.

Vote on the "Women Delegates" question: Total vote, 55—for, 51; against, 4.

#### NAGASAKI DISTRICT.—REV. CHARLES BISHOP, P.E.

Rev. J. C. Davison, Presiding Elder of the Nagasaki District, left Nagasaki on a furlough to the United States, April 27, and desired me to represent the district in the Annual Conference, which I do at the request of Bishop Goodsell.

In making this report I cannot do better than to make extended extracts from Brother Davison's report to the District Conference held at Nagasaki early in April:

"Since our last meeting (a year ago) I have been able to visit the entire work three times besides going over a large part of the district on a fourth visit. The growth has been slow at most points, but fairly encouraging at others. The additions by baptism have about equaled those of last year, though most of them have been at Fukuoka and Nagasaki.

"A violent typhoon utterly destroyed our former place of worship in Kagoshima, but by God's blessing the way has been opened for a new church costing 873 yen to be located on a new site costing 350 yen. Of this sum less than 50 yen remains to be provided for.

"The presence and labors of Misses Forbes and Tucker bid fair to add greatly to the strength of our work in Kagoshima.

"The church enterprise contemplated for Kumamoto has not yet been realized, owing to the failure in securing a grant in aid of the Missionary Society. But we shall not cease to pray, even though we may have to wait. In the meantime, however, it will be necessary to do our very best to help ourselves. Every church society should begin at once to gather funds for a church building without waiting for help to come first from elsewhere, and I trust something substantial may be done at this meeting to encourage the work of the Church Extension Society of the Japan Annual Conference. Every member of this Conference should be a member of said society.

"I am happy to say we look forward with pleasure to the help of the class about to graduate from the theological department of the Chinzei Gakkwan. Their help is greatly needed. Some of the largest cities in the island should be occupied as centers at once by educated and consecrated young men.

"The Bible-women of the W. F. M. S. have greatly aided the parties where they have labored, and many more will be gladly welcomed as soon as they can be sent out.

"It is known to you all that I expect to leave Japan in a few weeks more for a visit to the United States; and as I look upon you to-day I am reminded that when I left the work nine years ago Brother Asuga was the only regular Japanese preacher on the district, and Brother Long the only

foreign male missionary of our Church. They are both, we trust, to-day in heaven.

"May God help each of us to be more faithful to our duty, that when we are taken we may rejoice to leave the work far in advance of where we found it; and not unto us, but to his name be all the glory through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Brother Davison requested me to attend his fourth Quarterly Conferences, and the brethren in Chinzei Gakkwan kindly offered to carry on my work so that I could do so.

There has been no special change since Brother Davison's departure, except the addition of new members and probationers. As intimated in his letter, we have long and anxiously waited for the help of the class of theological students who graduated at the close of this school year, three of whom are applying to this Conference for admission.

The church building at Kagoshima, it is hoped, will be ready for dedication the last of this month. With a new church, and two ladies of the W. F. M. S. teaching in a Christian girls' school, and with a foreigner, if one can be secured, to teach in a boys' school that bids fair to be a great success in Kagoshima, the society ought soon to become a strong and prosperous one.

Kumamoto, whose importance and needs have been portrayed to the Conference year after year, is still without a church, and it is to be hoped the Missionary Society can grant next year the aid so urgently needed.

Rev. E. Crummy, of the Methodist Church of Canada, who is employed as teacher in one of the government schools, labors earnestly in connection with this Church.

The pastor, local preacher, and Bible-woman on the Yanagawa Circuit are all working with commendable zeal and not without success.

The church at Fukuoka with its band of workers, including the two ladies of the W. F. M. S., has had a successful year.

The Nagasaki church can likewise report a year of prosperity, and with respect to the residents in the city it has been unprecedented.

For *thirty* years the city people presented a well-nigh impregnable barrier to the advance of Christianity. But the present pastor has succeeded in bringing several of the residents of the city to Christ, and it is found desirable to divide the church and form a new one for them. Chapel work has been carried on, and Mrs. Johnson secured contributions from interested friends and purchased a small organ that is for use in such work.

We take this opportunity to speak of the untiring faithfulness and conscientiousness with which Brother Davison has labored through all these years on the district, and our regret that he was obliged to leave the work in which he is so greatly interested.

Much might be said of the labor of the individual workers; suffice it to say that all have labored hard, and some beyond their strength. The outlook in Kyushiu is encouraging, and the workers are hopeful.

Vote on the "Women Delegates" question: Total vote, 122—for, 107; against, 15.

## NAGOYA DISTRICT.—REV. W. S. WORDEN, P.E.

The Nagoya District, as at present constituted, includes a section of Japan situated almost midway between Tokyo on the one side and Osaka on the other, extending from Nagoya, as a center, to Toyohashi, forty-five miles on the east, and to Gifu, nineteen miles on the west. This district, in area about the same as the State of Connecticut, has nearly two million five hundred thousand inhabitants, and is highly favored both by nature and the work of man for carrying the Gospel to the people. The Tokaido Railroad enables us to reach Toyohashi, our farthest point east, in about two hours, and the same railroad carries us to Gifu in fifty minutes. A branch railroad opens up the rich and thickly populated peninsula called Shitagori, the Italy of Japan, carrying us from Nagoya to Taketoyo, a coaling station for ships, in less than two hours. Excellent roads by land and steam-boats by water contribute to make this the most easily worked of any of the districts of the Conference outside of Tokyo.

The workers appointed to the district by our Church consist of two ladies, missionaries of the W. F. M. S., one foreign missionary and wife, three Japanese pastors, members of Conference, four male and two female helpers. With this small force we have endeavored to man the centers, and from the centers to work out to the circumference. Nagoya, the fourth city in size in Japan, and the second town of importance in our Conference, with its one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants, has the only church edifice in the whole district. This church building is our pride, and also one chief cause of the hatred and opposition of the Buddhists.

Owing to various circumstances I did not reach Nagoya with my family until the middle of October, 1890. I brought the sad news of the death of Rev. C. S. Long, Ph.D., to the Nagoya church, and a memorial service was held Sunday, October 26, 1890.

During the months of January, February, and March our church was subjected to a severe and violent persecution. Following close upon the persecution and threatenings the church was visited with a gracious awakening and baptism of the Holy Ghost. For five weeks extra meetings were held in the demonstration of the Spirit and in power. Men were convicted of sin; Christians were awakened and led to a higher view of Christian life; and some were brought into the church. This gracious revival spirit spread throughout the district, and has been specially manifest in Gifu, Nishiwo, and Toyohashi.

About sixty have received baptism. The evangelistic work has been pushed with vigor during the year. Atsuta, a town of twenty thousand inhabitants three miles from Nagoya, one of the strongholds of Buddhism, has been entered, and Brother Kitahara Bunji has interested about a dozen men in Christianity, and one has received baptism. Besides Atsuta we have preaching-places at Teppo cho, in the busiest part of Nagoya, our Gospel Society work; also at Biwajima, a suburb of Nagoya; and at Komaki and Ushiyama, towns a few miles outside of Nagoya.

The W. F. M. S. school, under the charge of Miss M. A. Danforth and Miss M. E. Wilson, has made substantial progress, increasing the number of students to sixty, an increase of fifty per cent. over last year. A number of the students have been led to give their hearts to Jesus during the past year.

Charitable work has formed a prominent part of our church work. The Ladies' Benevolent Society was organized last autumn, and has given opportunity for the full exercise of our Christian philanthropy. This work has commended itself to the people of Nagoya, and has helped in a large degree toward breaking down the prejudice against foreigners and the Christian religion. The society has rented a house which has served as a dispensary and hospital. Two physicians have given their services gratuitously to this work. Mrs. Worden's Bible-woman, Mrs. Yoshikawa, has lived in the dispensary, and been faithful in Christian work. A Sunday-school has been organized at the dispensary with an attendance of over fifty. The direct results of this benevolent work have been very encouraging, a number having been led to Christ. An orphanage is a sad necessity in Nagoya, and we hope to provide for a few infants and children in connection with our charitable work, and we urgently ask the Missionary Society to grant \$1,000 for charitable work in Nagoya with which to buy land and erect buildings for the carrying on of this important branch of our work.

The Toyohashi Circuit includes Toyohashi, Shinshiro, and Ebimura, Brother S. Yamada, preacher in charge. The Toyohashi church has been blessed with two seasons of grace, and has made gratifying progress this year. The members are earnestly asking for help in erecting a church building, and have agreed to raise \$170 toward this object. Toyohashi is a town of about fifteen thousand inhabitants, an important military post, and the most important town occupied by our Church between Nagoya and Yokohama. With the aid of \$1,000 from the Missionary Society the Toyohashi Methodists will build a church and secure this center to Methodism.

The work in Shinshiro has given promise of success. Ebimura church has the true missionary spirit. With five dollars raised by this church the work in Toyohashi was started a few years ago.

Gifu is a town of nearly thirty thousand inhabitants, the capital of Gifu ken. Mr. K. Ichiku is the pastor. Brother Ichiku has been wonderfully blessed of God in winning souls during the past year. Much opposition is met here from the Buddhists. From Gifu work has been opened in Kitagata, a town of six thousand people.

Nishiwo church, under the charge of Brother Kaneko, has made some advance. This church was the scene of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the workers of Nagoya District at the Preachers' Association held last May. Nishiwo church is our oldest work in the district, and the members are raising money to build a church, and ask for aid in this effort. Tahara church has a name to live, but needs new life infused into its body. Brother Kamiya has offered a lot of land for a church building. The



Preachers' Association of Nagoya District, organized by Brother Miyama, has been a great power for good.

Brother K. Miyama, the pastor of the Nagoya church, has been instant in season and out of season serving the Lord, and it is to his efforts, under God, that a large degree of the success that has been gained this year belongs.

Our needs are many. Nagoya District should have one more foreign missionary and wife, to be located either in Nagoya or in Toyohashi, where there is at present no foreign worker; and we should have at least three new Japanese helpers to supply the absolute demands. Takayama, in Hida, a town of thirty thousand inhabitants, without an evangelist, foreign or Japanese, sends a Macedonian cry for help.

Vote on the "Women Delegates" question: Total vote, 83—for, 62; against, 21.

#### SENDAI DISTRICT.—REV. MATSUMOTO SOJO, P.E.

This district was formed at the last Annual Conference and is composed of five circuits, namely, the Morioka Circuit, which was formerly a part of the Aomori District, and Sendai, Shirakawa, Yamagata, and Yonezawa, which belonged to the Tokyo District. For almost two years the churches have not been visited by the Holy Spirit and the preachers of the district have been sorely grieved, but they have fully proven the truth of the precious passage of Scripture which says, "We glory in tribulation also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience; and patience, experience; and experience, hope: and hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us." Thus through many trials and experiences the brethren of the district have cultivated the virtue of patience and have also learned the truth of the holy passage which says, "All things work together for good to them that love God." They are active in the present work and hopeful for the future, trusting all to the Lord and moving onward to victory in Christ.

There are actively engaged in the district two American lady missionaries, one native elder, four probationers, and one local preacher. The following is a brief report of the district work.

*Morioka*, Brother T. Hasegawa, pastor in charge. Until the last Annual Conference the present presiding elder of this district resided here, but since his removal to Sendai the pastor has worked all alone, and he has not labored without difficulty. However, his earnestness in work, as well as his kind and pleasing manner, has won a number of seekers who are practical men of the business circle, so that the foundation of the church is being built on a sound basis. The preaching-place was recently moved to a more favorable locality of the town than where it was formerly. The buying of a lot for the church, which has been talked of for two years or more, is about to be accomplished. All these things tend to show that the Morioka church is making steady progress. During the year eight persons were baptized, and 39 yen and 20 sen were collected.

*Sendai*, S. Matsumoto, pastor in charge. Until the last Conference

Brother S. Kimura, an earnest advocate of self-support, served this church and made it almost self-supporting. Indeed, it was very unfortunate when on account of illness Brother Kimura was transferred to the Nagasaki District; yet the seeds he sowed are now springing up.

The church has paid all the debt which was hanging over it for some years, and now pays the preacher's salary, the parsonage rent, and all the current expenses of the church. It is to be regretted, however, that the increase of the membership has not been as rapid as we wished to see. The warm heart and obedient spirit of Brother K. Hiraoka, the assistant pastor, together with the united effort of the members, promise much for success in Sendai. No doubt before many years Sendai will be the influential Christian town of the north. The valuable service rendered by Mrs. Wakiyama, the Bible-woman of our church, deserves mentioning, for it helped the church in a great measure. We need one missionary stationed here to hasten our success. The last District Conference, held in Sendai, decided to petition this Annual Conference to appoint a missionary for this place. Eight persons were baptized during the year, and the sum of 255 yen and 43 sen was collected.

*Yamagata.*—Brother K. Iida is the pastor in charge of this place. As it was reported last year, this church was full of difficulty, but Brother Iida has patiently borne it all and made the work very hopeful. The Sabbath congregation has grown larger and there are many seekers of religion who belong to the upper class of society. Brother Iida also preaches at Tendo, a place seven miles distant from Yamagata, and gathers there the straying ones of the Lord's flock. Tendo is a large enough place to be separated from Yamagata and a preacher appointed to it. We sincerely hope this will be done in the near future, for we believe a great harvest of souls will be the sure result. The number of persons baptized during the year was three and the amount collected was 21 yen and 26 sen.

*Yonezawa.*—Brother M. Yamaka is the pastor in charge. This is the church which has been supported by the Home Missionary Society since the last Conference session. The pastor and the members of the church being united in pressing forward the Lord's work, there is always a fresh and invigorating atmosphere in the church. The silk factories and several neighboring villages are regularly visited by the pastor and the Gospel is preached to the people. The work of Misses Griffith and Atkinson, of the W. F. M. S., deserves special mention here. In addition to their regular work in the girls' school they have carried on four Sabbath-schools in the different parts of the town and neighboring villages during the year, where they gathered pupils and taught them. Some of these places are more than five miles distant, yet they have never failed to attend. The snow and severity of the winter did not seem to hinder these ladies at all. They often visited from house to house and distributed tracts. Their earnestness and faithfulness have not only inspired the church members, but also attracted the attention of the outsiders. We cannot find sufficient words to express our appreciation and gratitude for their work. Mrs. Yamaka, the mother of the pastor, has rendered valuable service to the church in

working among the sisters. Four persons received baptism during the year and the amount of 141 yen and 64 sen was collected.

*Shirakawa.*—Brother J. Yajima, a local preacher, has worked here since last Conference. This church for the last few years has received a new pastor every year, and sometimes it was without a pastor and some of the flock wandered away. But through the earnest effort of Brother Yajima, the church has recovered its former strength and paid a debt of long standing, and many persons have been led to seek the kingdom of God. Three persons were baptized and 17 yen and 50 sen were collected during the year.

The total number of persons baptized during the year on this district is twenty-eight and the amount of money collected is 475 yen and 3 sen.

We held the first Sendai District Conference last May in Sendai. Though the attendance was not large yet the Conference was very interesting and beneficial. Revs. J. Soper, J. O. Spencer, and Y. Honda, from Tokyo, and Dr. H. W. Swartz, from Hirosaki, were present and helped us with their counsels and enlivened our meetings with their earnest preaching. Besides preaching Brother Soper assisted the chairman by presiding over the session of the Conference.

#### TOKYO DISTRICT.—REV. JULIUS SOPER, P.E.

At the last Annual Conference the Tokyo District was divided. The northern part was cut off and made into a new district, called Sendai District. Twelve charges were left to the Tokyo District—eight in the city and four in the country. One of these charges, Urawa—about thirteen miles from Tokyo—we were compelled from want of men and money to give up. We hope, however, to resume work at Urawa in the near future. The year has been a quiet one. Still in a number of the charges there has been steady progress.

*Sakuyama Circuit.*—T. Kogushi, a local preacher, is preacher in charge. This circuit is quite a large one, and consists of three appointments. There has been no special progress in the work on this circuit. There is no reason, however, why it may not become a prosperous and important field of labor.

*Jo-so Circuit.*—C. Nagano is preacher in charge, assisted by S. Kusama, a local preacher. This is the largest circuit of the district. There are three important centers of work. The work at Ajiki, one of these centers, has been quite prosperous. A number of young men at this appointment have become Christians, and are working earnestly for the cause. The members are planning to build a new church at Ajiki. The old chapel is too small. Jo-so Circuit should be divided into two circuits at the present Conference. It is too large for one pastor to work well.

*Utsunomiya.*—K. Kosaka is preacher in charge. The work is in a healthy condition and steadily growing.

*Aoyama Circuit.*—Y. Honda is preacher in charge, assisted by several of the theological students. This charge has had a prosperous year. A good work has been carried on, both among the students of the Anglo-

Japanese College and the townspeople at the street chapel. About twelve of the students have been converted. J. W. Wadman has co-operated heartily and efficiently with the pastor and his assistants. Miss H. S. Alling also labors in the Sunday-school and among the women of this charge.

*Asakusa*.—H. Aoki, a local preacher, is preacher in charge. The work on this charge is in a better condition than a year ago. Their great need is a chapel. This is one of the most densely populated sections of the city.

*Ginza*.—S. Ogata is preacher in charge. This charge was organized one year ago, and has had a successful year. It has raised over 430 yen on its church debt. The Gospel Society and especially the night-school in connection with this charge are in a prosperous condition. B. Chappell teaches a Bible-class in the Sunday-school of this charge.

*Kanda*.—K. Ishizaka is preacher in charge. The average attendance at the Sunday services has not been so good as the previous year. It still supports its pastor, however, and there are signs of renewed life and prosperity. The great and urgent need is a new church building. We must have at an early day a large, substantial, and attractive church edifice in this section of Tokyo. J. O. Spencer, G. B. Norton, and Miss J. S. Vail work in the Sunday-school.

*Mita*.—I. Honda is preacher in charge. This charge is in an important section of the city. A short time ago the preaching-place, which had been used as such for several years, had to be given up. The present preaching-place is too small, and in every way unsuitable. This struggling charge needs help. The imperative need is a chapel.

*Okubo*.—M. Kudo is preacher in charge. Some progress has been made. The Sunday attendance has improved of late.

*Tsukiji*.—T. Tamura, a local preacher, is preacher in charge. This charge continues to do well, when we consider that a year ago forty or fifty of its members withdrew and organized the Ginza church. Misses Spencer, Phelps, Pardoe, and Locke have rendered valuable help in the Sunday-school. It is the banner Sunday-school of the district.

*Yotsuya*.—H. Hirata is preacher in charge. This charge has not grown very much in numbers. It is vigorous, however, and gives promise of being one of our strong charges in the near future. M. S. Vail, J. F. Belknap, and Mrs. Chappell work in the Sunday-school.

I have not been able, owing to the heavy duties of the treasurership, to hold all the Quarterly Conferences or attend all the Quarterly Meetings during the year. S. Ogata, K. Kosaka, and especially I. H. Correll (since his return to Japan, the 12th of May), as well as other preachers, have come to my relief and greatly assisted in the work of the district.

As will be seen from the reports, the Anglo-Japanese College at Aoyama has had a year of very gratifying prosperity. This is a matter for devout thankfulness, especially when we remember the trying ordeal through which Christian schools in Japan have been passing the past year or two. All the professors and teachers of the schools at Aoyama—foreign and Japanese—have done good and faithful work.



The ladies of the W. F. M. S. both at Aoyama and Tsukiji have been abundant in labors, and the work under their charge is in a growing and prosperous condition. The Young Ladies' Seminary at Aoyama, under Misses Atkinson, Bender, Blackstock, and Mrs. Belknap, as well as the girls' school in Tsukiji, under Misses Pardoe, Phelps, Spencer, and Locke, are doing a grand work for the Christian education of women in Japan.

The W. F. M. S. has also five successful day-schools in Tokyo. These have been under the care of Miss Spencer. During the month of June she was assisted by Miss Griffiths, who lately came from Yonezawa, where she had been working with Miss Mary Atkinson since the last Conference.

We held a very interesting and successful District Conference at Utsunomiya in the early part of April. There was a good attendance, and deep interest manifested throughout. At the special invitation of Brother Matsumoto, the presiding elder of the Sendai District, I attended his District Conference, held in Sendai early in May. It was a profitable Conference. It was Brother Matsumoto's first attempt at holding a District Conference. He succeeded admirably.

In closing I wish to emphasize two very important points.

1. The urgent necessity of securing at the earliest time possible several church lots in the city of Tokyo. Mita, Yotsuya, and Asakusa are all suffering from want of suitable locations, as well as substantial and attractive church buildings.

2. The urgent necessity of giving more attention to the practical and social side of Christianity. The crying need in Japan to-day is industrial education. How to educate young men so as to develop true manliness of character, as well as to enable them to earn a living, is the *burning* question in Japan to-day. We must have an industrial department in connection with the Anglo-Japanese College at Aoyama; this is coming to be more and more an imperative necessity.

Vote on the "Women Delegates" question: Whole number of votes cast, 246—for, 181; against, 65.

#### YOKOHAMA DISTRICT.—REV. G. F. DRAPER, P.E.

In the rearrangement of last year this district was so enlarged as to stand first in the number of appointments, though there are but thirteen circuits scattered over parts of four different "ken." These "ken" include an area one fourth larger than the State of Massachusetts, and sustain a population numbering between three and four millions. The increase did not double the size of the district, but far more than doubled the difficulties of travel, if not the amount of work.

I have made three trips around the entire district, in addition to visiting individual points, and have journeyed between twenty-six and twenty-seven hundred miles, preaching and holding services as often as possible. The obstacles that interfered with the prosperity of the churches during the previous year seem to be still in force, so that no great change can be reported. There is an advance, however, on the whole, though two or three places seem to have retrograded somewhat. This retrogression is

due to various causes, prominent among them being undue haste in administering baptism, thus bringing into the church many who have proved a serious hinderance to its prosperity. Many came in who hardly could distinguish between the church and a political or social club. The ideas of personal sin, a personal Saviour, and personal holiness were not with them, and it is no wonder that they soon fell away. The spirituality of those who remain has not been injured by their departure. I am most thankful to be able to report an evident growth in the knowledge of divine things that argues well for the future of our work.

Comparing the statistics of last Conference with those of the fourth Quarterly Conferences of this year, the net gain in membership appears to be about forty. The gifts for all purposes have amounted to about 2,300 yen, being an increase of 600 yen over the previous year. I am happy to be able to report that the pastors have done faithful work, in spite of opposition and discouraging circumstances.

It has been my privilege to consecrate three new church buildings during the year, the first at Matsumoto, a very neat structure and well located. The members have tried to carry the financial burden alone, but have been unable to do so, and are obliged to ask help from the Missionary Society to pay the remaining indebtedness.

At Odawara, by the tireless efforts of the pastor, a little building was put up that will serve admirably as a place of worship until the congregation increases sufficiently to need, and be able to assist in erecting, a larger. The lot, costing 8 yen, has been obtained by the kindness of Rev. D. N. McInturff.

The Grace Chesnut Methodist Episcopal Church, at Kanagawa, was dedicated in December last. It is a very attractive and serviceable building, costing about 600 yen, over half of which was raised by the church, while \$200 was donated, through the kind offices of Bishop J. P. Newman, by M. F. Chesnut, Esq., of Fair Haven, Washington. The church was named in memory of Mr. Chesnut's daughter.

In spite of the fact that the Yokohama Gospel Society was left without a worker at last Conference, the work has not entirely ceased, but has been carried on as well as possible under the circumstances. The ladies of the W. F. M. S. have kindly assisted in it.

The work of the Bible-school for women is making itself felt more and more throughout the district, as the students go out from time to time to labor at different points. Our Sunday-school work in Yokohama is by no means the least interesting portion of the field. This success is due largely to the efforts of the ladies and their assistants.

It is but proper to mention the aid given to our church in Matsumoto by the Rev. and Mrs. W. Elliott, of the Canadian Methodist Church, Mr. Elliott being teacher in the Chiu-gakko.

One word as to the special needs of this district. From the size and population it may be easily understood that our work touches but a small fraction of the people. We need, then, more funds and men to put our present work in better shape, and to enable us to enter some of the very

important towns that are as yet untouched by Methodism. There is urgent need of at least two more foreign workers also, one for Yokohama and one for the Shinshiu region. The new church is greatly needed in Yokohama, not only for the sake of the Church, but likewise to relieve the Gospel Society, which, if effective results are to be expected, must have its building for its own work. Suitable places of worship are needed in several places, especially at Tobe, Matsushiro, and Oiso. The first place mentioned is ready to erect at least a temporary building, if funds for the purchase of a lot can be obtained. But far beyond the need for more money, men, or buildings, is the necessity for a mighty outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Vote on the "Women Delegates" question: Total, 227—for, 178; against, 49.

#### EDUCATIONAL WORK.

##### AOMORI DISTRICT.

*To-o-Gijiku*.—This is not a mission-school, but two missionaries have been connected with it during the past year. As decided last Conference, the past year has been a year of trial by which the future relations of the mission to the school were to be determined. The Board of Trustees request that the subsidy formerly granted to the school by the mission be discontinued, but that two foreign teachers be sent there to take part in teaching, and that the mission provide for two Christian Japanese teachers, these teachers to be admitted to membership in the Board. In view of the relations of the school to our work in the north, we recommend that this proposition be taken into consideration.

The Hirosaki Jo-Gakko of the W. F. M. S. contains sixty students, and the school is in a hopeful condition.

##### HAKODATE DISTRICT.

The Caroline Wright Memorial School reports sixty-one boarders and thirty-four day scholars, eleven of whom have been converted. The school is in a good condition, and the relation between the students and teachers is very satisfactory. There has not been much increase in the number of students, but there is a marked progress in the tone of the school.

##### NAGASAKI DISTRICT.

###### I. *Chinzei Gakkwan (Cobleigh Seminary).*

The past year has been the most difficult, in some respects, of any year the school has seen. The opposition to Christianity in the patronizing territory has been greater, and the financial difficulties more trying than any we have previously met. The preparatory school was discontinued for a time, and hence the apparent enrollment is much less. There has been an enrollment of one hundred and five this year, as against one hundred and fifty-two last year; but the average attendance has been higher than in any previous year. There has been a good gain from the scholastic and the religious stand-points. Eight students were graduated this

year, four from the theological, and four from the English department. Of the former, three have joined this Conference.

In spiritual results the work has been highly gratifying. We cannot report a large number of conversions in this school, because there has not this year been, as formerly, a large body of the unconverted upon whom to work; but the Christian students have grown in religious experience and power, the general tone of the school has improved, some ten bright young men have professed conversion, and, best of all, several of the choicest men in the upper classes have voluntarily come—some of them with their faces bathed in tears—to confess their call of God to preach his Gospel, and to ask that they may be received as theological students in preparation for their life-work. One of them volunteered to pay his own expenses, and all the others requested to be allowed to work for their schooling. These results appear to be chiefly due to the hand to hand work of the teachers with the students, and to the maintenance of a daily prayer-meeting of half an hour led by the teachers of the school. The Bible in the hands of the students as a required study, and the evangelization of the students as the constant thought and purpose of the teacher, are the only roads to success along this line. The results briefly are: In the highest class all are Christians; in the next class, all but one profess Christianity; in the next lower class, all but one are Christians; in the next class, all but one profess Christianity; in the next class, nearly all are Christians; and in the other classes the majority are Christians.

This school needs a new building. The rooms for students are inadequate; there are no rooms for the Japanese teachers, and the recitation-rooms do not meet the present need.

The receipts from native sources this year have been \$540.28, and the total expenditures of the school \$1,912.62. We would recommend the strengthening of the teaching force by the addition of good Japanese teachers. There are six candidates for the English theological class in the fall, two of whom are prize men.

## II. W. F. M. S. SCHOOLS.

*Kwassui Jo Gakko.*—Five foreign teachers have been at work during the year, and the results have been good. The school is a felt power in the whole island. A number of the students have this year found the Saviour, and the Bible-women sent out from its halls are in great demand throughout all the churches.

The Fukuoka Jo Gakko reports seventy students, a good Christian influence, and promises much for the future of that part of the country.

## NAGOYA DISTRICT.

The Seiryu Jo Gakko has an excellent showing for the year, and much credit is due to Misses Danforth and Wilson for their labors there. Sixty-seven students are in attendance, fifteen boarders, and fifty-two day students, and of these eight have this year given their hearts to Christ.



## SENDAI DISTRICT.

*Yonezawa.*—During the year forty-eight students have been enrolled, with an average attendance of forty-two. The year's work has been accomplished through many trials, but, withal, has been a happy and prosperous one. A deep interest in Christianity has been awakened, souls have been saved, and the outlook for evangelical work is most encouraging.

## TOKYO DISTRICT.

I. *Ei-Wa Gakko.*

*Philander Smith Biblical Institute.*—Three foreign and two Japanese teachers have been employed. Thirty-two students have been in regular attendance, eight of whom were graduated at the close of the year. In general the religious condition has been good, considering the tendencies of the times, but not in all cases what could be desired in representatives of the religion of Christ.

*College and Preparatory Departments.*—In these departments five foreign and five regular Japanese instructors, assisted by six special Japanese teachers, have been employed. There has been an enrollment of one hundred and sixty-seven students. The average attendance for the year has been one hundred and fifteen. Eight were graduated from the college, and ten from the preparatory department. Special effort has been made during the year to increase the attendance and to improve the religious life of the students. The new dormitories, completed during the year, have proved a great convenience, and will doubtless help to attract larger numbers to us in the future. While no general spiritual improvement has been experienced, still there has not been total indifference to the earnest efforts of those who have labored for this end. Individuals have made earnest inquiry for the highest spiritual life.

In all of the departments of the school work at Aoyama we are beginning to reap the results of our labors in the help that is afforded us by our own graduates. It is with hopeful anticipation that we look forward to the return of those to our work here who, for special preparation, are attending colleges in America. They have a work to do in the education and evangelization of their own people which no foreigner can do.

W. F. M. S.—II. *Tokyo Ei-Wa Jo Gakko.*

A more industrious and efficient corps of laborers could not well be collected. In addition to the three regular instructors, Miss Carr has rendered valuable assistance in the school, and during the latter part of the year Miss Blackstock has conducted an industrial department in connection with the school. Of the thirty-nine students who entered the school, thirty-three remained until the close. The practical influence upon the lives of the students is seen in the work carried on in connection with the two societies that have become a part of the institution—the Missionary Society and the King's Daughters. In the former much has been done in assisting the poor of the city; the latter has supported two Bible-women in the country.

### III. *The Kaigan Jo Gakko.*

The object of this school is to prepare those under its instruction for the higher work at Aoyama. Eighty pupils have been enrolled during the year. Of the twenty who entered the senior class, seventeen have been promoted to Aoyama. Many students have been self-supporting, and others partially so, the tuition fees for the year amounting to \$1,464.50.

### IV. *The Gospel Society.*

The night-school connected with the Ginza church has just passed a very prosperous year. The number of students enrolled, the average attendance, and the income were all greater than last year. Six foreign teachers, each assisting one evening a week, and three regular Japanese teachers, have been employed. There have been three hundred and fifty students enrolled during the year. The average number of those paying the tuition fee of 1 yen per month has been one hundred and fifteen. Five were graduated at the close of the year, and nine have been converted during the year.

In connection with the educational work of Tokyo District, too much cannot be said in praise of Brother Honda, President of Tokyo Ei-Wa Gakko, who has done much to bring us before the public.

### YOKOHAMA DISTRICT.

The Yokohama Bible Training-school for Women has just closed (June 30, 1891) the most prosperous year of its existence. Thirty-seven students were enrolled during the year, of whom one died and two were discontinued, leaving thirty-four at the end of the year.

All have been engaged in various kinds of work in the city, holding meetings for women and children, Christians and non-Christians, poor and sick and blind. They have assisted in church and Sunday-school work, and two months in the year have been spent by two classes in the country, in the same kinds of work.

Five completed the course of four years' study of the Bible in June, and, from this time, will devote their whole time to this work.

The possibilities of this work have never impressed us so much as at present, and never have we felt so much encouragement to press on in it as now.

There are about thirty students in the Gospel Society at this place, and Brother and Sister Draper, Mrs Van Petten, and Miss French have all assisted in the teaching. The school is improving, and the outlook is very hopeful. From this society comes an urgent appeal for a foreign teacher and 200 yen with which to strengthen the school.

### PUBLISHING WORK.

This is fully reported by the agent, J. O. Spencer; but we can only summarize that 1,766,600 pages of books, 95,000 of tracts, 739,350 of Sunday-school lessons, and 44,300 of various other publications have been issued during the year.

## CIRCUIT OR STATION.

	Foreign Missionaries.	Assistant Missionaries.	Foreign Missionaries, W. F. M. Society.	Native Workers of W. F. M. Society.	Native Ordained Preachers.	Native Unordained Preachers.	Native Teachers.	Foreign Teachers.	Other Helpers.	Members.	Probationers.	Average attendance on Sunday Worship.	Conversions during year.	Adults Baptized.	Children Baptized.	Theological Schools.	Teachers in same.	Students.	High-schools.	Teachers.
<i>Aomori District.</i>																				
Aomori.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	80	20	50	23	20	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fujisaki.....	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	58	15	50	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Hirosaki.....	2	2	1	1	1	2	7	3	1	76	20	125	18	18	1	..	..	..	..	..
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<i>Hakodate District.</i>																				
Hakodate and Fukuyama..	1	1	2	2	1	1	9	3	2	135	31	150	31	31	8	..	..	..	1	7
Iwanai.....	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	17	4	50	21	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kabato.....	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	24	..	40	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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<i>Nagasaki District.</i>																				
Fukuoka.....	..	..	2	1	1	1	5	2	4	129	24	96	16	16	1	..	..	..	1	7
Kagoshima.....	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	2	..	75	5	80	4	4	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kumamoto.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	65	18	24	15	15	4	..	..	..	..	..
Nagasaki.....	4	4	5	..	1	6	13	9	2	142	43	120	23	23	..	1	5	..	2	22
Sendai and Agune.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	38	2	10	3	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
Yanagawa and Muke.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	42	18	43	5	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
Yatsushiro.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	36	5	9	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
<i>Nagoya District.</i>																				
Gifu.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	8	8	8	8	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nagoya.....	1	1	2	1	1	2	9	2	..	102	42	125	19	42	2	..	..	..	1	11
Nishitwo.....	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	14	1	12	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Shinshiro and Ebimura.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	16	7	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tahara.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	32	6	19	3	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Toyouhashi.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	32	6	19	3	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
<i>Sendai District.</i>																				
Morioka.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	45	5	24	8	8	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sendai.....	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	1	1	79	13	40	8	8	..	..	..	..	..	..
Shirakawa.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	32	6	11	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Yamagata and Tendo.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	80	8	86	5	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
Yonezawa.....	2	1	1	1	8	5	2	..	..	55	8	40	4	4	1	..	..	..	1	7
<i>Tokyo District.</i>																				
Jo-so.....	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	8	187	24	58	27	27	14	..	..	..	..	..
Sakuyama.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	30	5	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tokyo : Aoyama.....	8	6	4	..	2	2	14	12	6	140	12	140	15	10	4	1	5	32	2	21
Asakusa.....	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	3	..	49	11	20	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ginza.....	..	..	..	..	1	2	4	1	6	92	8	60	24	24	5	..	..	..	..	..
Kanda.....	..	..	..	..	2	5	..	3	..	150	12	50	5	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mita.....	..	..	..	..	3	3	..	2	..	46	2	20	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Okubo.....	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	32	9	25	4	6	5	..	..	..	..	..
Tsukiji.....	3	3	3	2	1	1	19	3	3	149	38	80	38	38	7	..	..	..	1	11
Yotsuya.....	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	57	9	40	7	8	..	..	..	..	..	..
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<i>Yokohama District.</i>																				
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Kawagoe.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	15	7	20	7	7	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kumagae.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	27	2	20	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Matsumoto and Azusa.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	97	28	30	10	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Matsushiro and Nagano.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	32	5	11	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Odawara.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	9	4	10	5	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
Osio.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	49	26	12	5	5	1	..	..	..	..	..
Shimamura.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	74	16	80	2	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Takato and Sakashita.....	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	43	20	57	11	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tobe.....	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	2	..	39	23	71	11	11	5	..	..	..	..	..
Yokohama.....	1	1	2	5	1	14	2	..	168	25	120	16	16	4	..	..	..	1	5	..

## RECAPITULATION

Aomori District.....	2	2	1	1	2	5	7	3	5	250	65	250	55	52	1	..	..	..	..	..
Hakodate District.....	1	1	2	2	2	4	9	3	2	245	47	340	93	51	12	..	..	..	1	7
Nagasaki District.....	5	5	9	1	6	8	13	9	524	110	332	69	69	7	1	5	..	8	29	..
Nagoya District.....	1	1	2	1	3	6	9	2	1	188	67	190	35	54	4	..	..	..	1	11
Sendai District.....	..	..	2	2	8	7	5	2	4	291	40	151	28	28	1	..	..	..	1	7
Tokyo District.....	11	9	7	2	7	17	49	16	32	935	120	534	132	123	35	1	5	32	3	32
Yokohama District.....	1	1	2	5	1	14	2	11	81	628	195	458	86	85	14	..	..	1	5	..
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Gain or loss.....	2	..	3	2	5	20	35	4	52	246	74	..	..	80	9	..	4	17	..	13

a Bible-woman's Training-schools included under High-schools.

b The reports for schools include Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

c Report incomplete.

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Pupils.	No. other Day-schools.	No. other Day Scholars.	Sabbath-schools.	Sabbath Scholars.	Churches and Chapels.	Estimated Value of Churches and Chapels.	No. of Halls, etc.	No. of Parsonages, etc.	Estimated Value of Parsonages, or Homes.	Value of Orphanages, Schools, Hospitals, Book Rooms, etc.	Collected for Missionary Society.	Collected for other Benevolent Societies.	Collected for Self-support.	Collected for Church Building and Repairing.	Contributed for other Local Purposes.
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The above accounts in yen. One yen now equal to 90 cents, U. S. gold.

Where two numbers occur, the upper figures refer to W. F. M. S.

The column "Self-support" includes amounts raised for Church Building, Current Expenses, Sunday-schools, Home Missionary Society, Education, Ministerial Support, Local Purposes, and for tuition in our Schools.



# MEXICO.

Commenced in 1873.

Organized as a Conference in 1885.

BISHOP HURST HAS EPISCOPAL SUPERVISION.

The Rev. Dr. J. W. Butler summarizes some of the important items of the work of the past year, as follows :

You will notice that we have gained twenty-four congregations during the year. Of members and probationers we have an increase of one hundred and twenty-eight over and above loss by death and removals. This increase does not express our real growth because of a careful pruning of church records on several charges. We report six hundred and twenty-nine more adherents than last year.

Of baptisms there have been one hundred and sixty-five adults and two hundred children. The mission now has two thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight day scholars and one thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven Sabbath-school scholars.

The missionary collection is \$601. In self-support there is a gain of about \$500 over last year, while for all purposes we have collected \$12,002.13 Mexican currency, nearly \$10,000 gold. Two new churches have been dedicated, and improvements made at several points, giving an increase in the valuation of all our mission property of \$11,150 (Mexican).

## APPOINTMENTS FOR 1892.

COAST DISTRICT.—William Green, P.E.

(P.-O., No. 9, Tamariz, Puebla.)

*Cordoba Circuit*, supplied by Adelaido Bribiesca. *Cuicatlan Circuit*, to be supplied by Ignacio Barrios. *Oaxaca Circuit*, L. C. Smith and S. J. Lopez. *Orizaba Circuit*, Abundio Tovar, E. Ricoy, and one to be supplied. *Tuxtla Circuit*, supplied by Pedro Lopez and G. Rumbia. *Tehuacan Circuit*, supplied by M. Monjaras. *Tetela Circuit*, Victoriano D. Baez. *Teziutlan Circuit*, Plutarco Bernal. *Tuxpam Circuit*, supplied by Francisco Diaz. *Xochiapulco Circuit*, Jose Rumbia, and two to be supplied.

NORTHERN DISTRICT.—L. B. Salmans, P.E.

(P.-O., Guanajuato.)

*Celaya Circuit*, Jose Chavez, and one to be supplied. *Cueremaro Circuit*, Juan Patino. *Guanajuato Circuit*, Manuel M. Perez. *Queretaro Circuit*, P. V. Espinosa. *Salamanca Circuit*, Abelardo Rivera, supply. *Silao Circuit*, Doroteo Garcia.

## MEXICO DISTRICT.—John W. Butler, P.E.

(P.-O., 291, Mexico city.)

*Ayapango Circuit*, supplied by Luis Acosta. *Huehuella Circuit*, supplied by Rafael Viqueros. *Mexico city and Ixtacalco*, Pedro F. Valderama and Edmundo Ricoy; *English Work*, Frank Borton. *Miraflores Circuit*, Ignacio Chagoyan and Eduardo Zapata. *Pachuca Circuit*, Justo M. Euroza and G. Vazquez, supply; *Pachuca Circuit and English Work*, I. C. Cartwright, and one to be supplied. *Santa Ana Circuit*, D. Mendoza, supply. *San Vicente*, Lucas G. Alonzo. *Tezontepec*, B. N. Velasco, and one to be supplied. *Tulancingo*, Domingo Romero. *Zacualtipan*, Norberto Mercado.

Frank Borton, Publishing Agent.

J. W. Butler, Editor of *El Abogado*.

P. F. Valderrama, Assistant Editor.

## PUEBLA DISTRICT.—S. P. Craver, P.E.

(P.-O., Puebla.)

*Apizaco Circuit*, H. G. Limric. *Atlixco Circuit*, supplied by student. *Atzala Circuit*, supplied by N. Aguilar. *Cholula Circuit*, supplied by student. *Puebla Circuit*, C. A. Gamboa. *San Martin Circuit*, supplied by student. *Tlaxcala Circuit*, F. D. Tubbs.

S. P. Craver, President of the Theological Seminary.

S. W. Siberts, H. G. Limric, and F. D. Tubbs, Professors in Theological Seminary.

## ASSISTANT MISSIONARIES.

Mrs. J. W. Butler,	Mrs. S. P. Craver,	Mrs. S. W. Siberts,
Mrs. L. C. Smith,	Mrs. L. B. Salmans,	Mrs. William Green,
Mrs. F. D. Tubbs,	Mrs. H. G. Limric,	Mrs. M. C. Cartwright, M.D.,
	Mrs. R. L. Miller.*	

## MISSIONARIES OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

*Mexico*.—Miss Mary De F. Loyd and Miss Harriet L. Ayres.*Puebla*.—Miss Theda A. Parker and Miss Anna Limberger.*Pachuca*.—Miss Mary Hastings.*Tetela*.—Miss Amelia Van Dorsten and Miss Effa M. Dunmore.*Guanajuato*.—Miss Lillian Neiger.

## LOCAL PREACHERS NOT INCLUDED ABOVE.

Luis Acosta, <i>Real del Monte</i> .	Miguel Arrieta, <i>Atzacan</i> ,
Nabor Aguilar, <i>Xochiapulco</i> ,	T. H. Borlase, <i>Pachuca</i> ,
Macario Bribiesca, <i>Cuila pam</i> ,	Hilario Bonilla, <i>Jayacatlan</i> ,
Felicitus Cruz, <i>Santiago el Menor</i> ,	Juan Diaz, <i>Tuxpan</i> .
Trinidad Diaz, <i>Jilotep ec</i> ,	T. H. Dunston, <i>Real del Monte</i> ,
Henry Jenkins, <i>Pachuca</i> ,	Irineo Luna, <i>Atzala</i> ,
Manuel Monjaras, <i>Tehuacan</i> ,	Doroteo Mendoza, <i>Mexico</i> ,
Walter Rule, <i>Pachuca</i> ,	Gabriel Rumbia, <i>Tuxila</i> ,
Richard Sobey, <i>Pachuca</i> ,	Gabriel Vasquez, <i>Pachuca</i> .

\* English Graded School.

## EXHORTERS.†

Pablo Aguilar, *Real del Monte*,  
 A. Gutierrez, *Salamanca*,  
 W. J. T. Morcom, *Pachuca*,  
 Teofilo Olivier, *Mexico*,  
 Antonio Orozco, *Tezontepec*,  
 Miguel Perez, *Xochiapulco*,  
 Leon Ricoy, *Panotla*,  
 J. Vega, *San Juan del Rio*,

Marcelino Avila, *Guanajuato*,  
 G. Garcia, *Celaya*,  
 Luis Montes, *Mexico*,  
 Daniel Partido, *Zacualtipan*,  
 Juan Rodriguez, *Atzala*,  
 David Verduzco, *Tezontepec*,  
 Rafael Vigueras, *Huehuetla*,  
 Thomas Whitford, *Pachuca*.

## TEACHERS NOT MENTIONED BEFORE.

Teofilo Atlixqueno, *San Felipe*,  
 Francisco Guerrero, *Zoyotzingo*,  
 Eduardo Garcia, *Puebla*,  
 George Manning, *Puebla*,  
 Donaciano Olvera, *Ayapango*,  
 Luis Xochihua, *Miraflores*,  
 Fernando Vargas, *Zacnaltipan*,  
 Margarito Sanchez, *Miraflores*,

Pilar J. Baez, *Apizaco*,  
 R. L. De Garcia, *Silao*,  
 Ramona C. de Loza, *Puebla*,  
 Manuela Olivier, *Mexico*,  
 Agustin Rodiles, *Puebla*,  
 Luisa Vasquez, *Puebla*,  
 Paula Sostres, *Miraflores*,  
 Mucio Sanchez, *Cuijingo*.

## TEACHERS OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Isabel Barrios, *Miraflores*,  
 Lugarda Chagoyan, *Guanajuato*,  
 Ana Maria Castro, *Miraflores*,  
 Carlota Gutierrez, *Puebla*,  
 Carlota Guerrero, *Miraflores*,  
 Macrina Linares, *Mexico*,  
 H. Mur, *Mexico*,  
 Dolores Martinez, *Queretaro*,  
 Juan Palacios, *Puebla*,  
 Felix Ramos, *Mexico*,  
 Sara Romero, *Xochiapulco*,  
 Fermina Ruiz, *Guanajuato*,  
 Herlinda Bonilla, *Apizaco*,

Atalia Carrasco, *Ayapango*,  
 Maria Garcia, *Ayapango*,  
 Guadalupe Guerrero, *Miraflores*,  
 Cecilia Gomez, *Tezontepec*,  
 Herminia Linares, *Mexico*,  
 Severiana Medina, *Mexico*,  
 Adela Palacios, *Puebla*,  
 Herlinda Pompa de Alonzo, *Chicoloapam*,  
 Soledad Romero, *Xochiapulco*,  
 Guadalupe Rodriguez, *Puebla*,  
 Barbera del Valle, *La Canada*,  
 Maria Tovar, *Orizaba*.

## BIBLE-WOMEN OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Josefa Chacon, *Mexico*,

Maxima Rumbia, *Orizaba*.

## CENTRAL DISTRICT.—LUCIUS SMITH, P.E.

At our last Annual Conference Bishop Ninde divided the Central District into two parts, the southern and smaller division, which comprehends simply our work in the valley of Mexico, retaining the former name.

Our report will be very brief, for the reason that we have little to say. We have little to say for *many* reasons, among which may be mentioned the two following: (1) We have had charge of the district only about

† Most of these are employed as teachers also.

nine months; and (2) we have devoted very little of that time to looking after its interests, having been obliged to abandon to a great extent the glorious and beloved work of the ministry in order to serve as agent and book-keeper of our little publishing house situated in Mexico city, from which service we pray the Lord to deliver us speedily.

The Central District as at present constituted comprises six pastoral charges, namely: Ayapango Circuit, Chicoloapam Circuit, Mexico and Ixtacalco, Mexico English Work, Miraflores, Nextlalpam.

Ayapango Circuit was made up of four appointments at the beginning of the year, namely, Ayapango, Poxtla, Zentlalpam, and Zoyotzingo. Since, two others, Los Reyes and Cuijingo, have been added. In Los Reyes the inhabitants constitute nine families, and four of them attend our services. In Cuijingo for several years there has been an evangelical school taught by an old soldier, Mucio Sanchez, and his wife, and with the exception of a few books and other supplies, and perhaps a very small amount of pecuniary aid, the teachers have paid their own expenses with truly heroic sacrifice. This year we have helped them with five dollars a month from the mission funds, as they had become reduced to extreme poverty, and a few days ago we held the first Protestant service with about thirty-five hearers in a town where such a thing would have been impossible were it not for the sublime self-sacrifice of old Muncio and his heroic wife. Cuijingo is a small village, but we hope to build up a good congregation there.

Besides the girls' and boys' schools in Ayapango, we have started a school in Zoyotzingo, Francisco Guerrero, teacher, which is flourishing finely, having enrolled fifty-nine pupils. Brother Chagoyan, the pastor of this circuit, is young, but gives abundant promise of being a devoted, able, active worker. All of the congregations on the circuit have rather more than held their own, and in Poxtla the corner-stone of a new church has been laid.

Chicoloapam (San Vicente) and Coatlinchan are the appointments of the second circuit. There have been some strifes and divisions in the first named place, and the congregation has diminished, although the school has about held its own. The brethren at Coatlinchan have also been somewhat discouraged on account of the delay of the presiding elder in re-establishing their school. The delay was caused by lack of funds. The school was established, however, the first of this month, and now they seem to be hopeful again. Brother L. G. Alonso, the pastor of this circuit, has qualities that will make him useful, and his wife is an energetic and true helpmeet.

The work in Mexico city has held its own under the efficient pastorate of Brother C. A. Gamboa. The Sunday-school has grown in numbers and interest. Ixtacalco is next to nothing. We have a flourishing boys' school in Mexico city, and the female seminary, under the auspices of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and the direction of Miss Mary De F. Loyd, assisted by Miss Hattie Ayres and a good corps of native teachers, is doing excellent work, both intellectually and spiritually. The



girls' Christian Endeavor Society in connection with the institution deserves special mention.

The English work in Mexico city was deprived of a pastor and the English graded school of a principal by the departure of Brother McLennan and Miss Hartzell in the early part of the year. They have both been hobbling very lamely along ever since.

The school in Miraflores has for years been attended by about three hundred scholars. This year the number has not seriously decreased. The spiritual influence has not been especially beneficial. The congregation and the Sunday-school have made no progress, and in spite of Brother Romero's earnest efforts the Spiritualists have made havoc with some of the members.

*Nextlalpam* is an Indian town where we have a good prospect. The new church was dedicated by Bishop Ninde at the beginning of the year. The congregation keeps about the same. Brother Doroteo Mendoza, a local preacher, is in charge.

Taking the district as a whole, we have abundant reason to thank God that, under the circumstances, the year's failure has not been greater. Let this and other failures stand recorded as a perpetual testimony against the mistaken policy of making presiding elders at the same time publishing agents, editors, college presidents, etc.

#### HIDALGO DISTRICT.—J. W. BUTLER, P.E.

##### OUR FIELD.

At the last session of our Annual Conference Bishop Ninde divided the Central District into two, giving to me the Hidalgo District, with seven circuits and twenty-eight preaching appointments. The new district lies mostly in the State bearing its name, though two appointments are in the State of Puebla, and one or two in the State of Vera Cruz. No doubt Hidalgo is one of the best States in the whole republic for evangelistic work. Its people, numbering, according to the last census, somewhat over *half a million*, are, as a rule, liberal. Very few towns are so fanatical as to be closed against the visits of our workers.

For many years the governors of the State have been prominent members of the liberal party. These governors, as well as district and town authorities, have for the most part been friends of the cause of education. They now claim about a thousand schools in the State. Such facts have prepared the field for us. This leads me to speak of

##### OUR OWN SCHOOLS.

Of these we have seven. In Tezontepec we have 150 children; in Pachuca, 560; in the Real del Monte Circuit, 92; and in Zacualtipan, 43, making a total for the district of 864 children under our influence.

Our Tezontepec school has grown beyond the possibilities of our limited appropriation. Our Pachuca schools have both grown too large, by far, for their present quarters. With some financial help, particularly at these

two points, we could probably have a *thousand children* in our schools next year in the Hidalgo District alone.

All these children hear the Bible read daily, and many of them are induced to attend our Sabbath-school and preaching services. With this department of our work properly cared for, think of what a harvest awaits the reapers as they go through this State the next eight or ten years.

#### SABBATH SCHOOLS.

These are organized in all the principal stations of the district. If we had the laborers at hand, as at home, we could have Sabbath-schools at every appointment. But in most cases the preacher must be superintendent and teacher as well. Where he has such large circuits that he cannot make Sabbath visits to each town he cannot yet organize the Sabbath-schools. But we are trying to train our native converts to do this work. In Tezontepec we already have a committee of young people, who walk to an adjoining town and conduct a Sabbath-school with credit to themselves and profit to the scholars.

#### CHAPEL AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS.

Just after Conference, and on handing over the southern part of the original district to Brother Smith, Bishop Ninde dedicated our new chapel in Santa Ana Nextlalpam. It is a plain substantial building, large enough to answer all purposes for many years to come, and was built mostly by donations and contributed work of the people there and a few sympathizing friends. It is worth nearly \$1,000, and has a debt of something over \$200.

On May 5 we dedicated our new church in Acayuca. It is built mostly of stone, and is worth over \$1,000, and is all paid for except about \$300. The dedication took place on a national holiday. At eleven A. M. a public celebration was held in the town square, to which we were all invited. The presiding elder and preachers present all occupied seats on the platform with the civil authorities. At the close of the ceremonies we gave the authorities a cordial invitation to join us in our dedicatory services of the afternoon. They accepted, and at the hour of worship our church was full to overflowing. The entire community seems friendly to us, and if it were possible to establish a school at this point we could soon have the dominant influence in Acayuca.

Early in the year, under direction of Brother Euroza, our chapel in Pachuca was repainted on the inside, and greatly improved in appearance. After Brother Cartwright arrived he thoroughly renovated the interior of our missionary's home, doing a great deal of the work with his own hands. The property is thus enhanced in value at least \$500, at a cost to the Missionary Society of only about half that sum.

The native preacher's residence at Real del Monte has also been considerably improved.

#### INCREASE OF APPOINTMENTS.

In January, when the district was divided, there were forty-one appoint-

ments. As thirteen of these were handed to Brother Smith, it left us twenty-eight. Since then we have begun services in nine new appointments, giving thirty-seven at present. These might be fifty inside of three months if we had two more men to put into the Tezontepec Circuit, and two others in Zacualtipan and Huehuetla. We already have half a dozen urgent calls, to which we cannot properly attend till we have more workers. The three circuits of Tezontepec, Zacualtipan, and Huehuetla are exceedingly promising, and with a slight increase in their working forces would soon yield abundant results.

The Real del Monte Circuit, with our enthusiastic young Brother Acosta, is also growing. Services have been re-established in Omitlan after several years of abandonment, and promise well. Family services have been held in Velasco and El Grande. This last point we consider of great importance, as it connects our older work with the Zacualtipan Circuit.

#### SPIRITUAL CONDITION OF THE WORK.

This is not as good as we could wish. But we consider it better than last year. The cottage meetings established in Pachuca and Real del Monte have contributed to this end. We notice the improvement in the attendance and spirit of our meetings.

One of the greatest drawbacks to the growth of spirituality among our people is the universal desecration of the Sabbath in Mexico. Romanism has done little to bless and much to curse this fair land. But of all her sins at the day of judgment disregard for the Lord's day will certainly stand out very prominently. Bull-rings, cock-pits, theaters, and other places of amusement are more frequented on this holy day than any other. Markets and most retail places of business are open, at least part of the day, while in many of the smaller towns Sunday is the only market day of all the week. Drinking saloons and gambling dens present their best inducements from early Sabbath morn till late at night. On the one hand we have the seeming necessity presented to many of our people to "market," and on the other many temptations to those *not* "strong in faith." So you can see how this condition of affairs interferes with the spiritual growth of our people. But we are glad to note improvement even in the face of all these difficulties.

#### WORK OF THE W. F. M. S.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society is sustaining work at two points in the district. The school work in Tezontepec continues under the direction of our indefatigable native pastor, B. N. Velasco. The assistant teachers employed by the Woman's Society are doing a good work. In connection with some of the older girls of the school they aid in distributing tracts, holding women's meetings, and other work of the circuit. I do not see how our quarterly meetings could do without them.

In Pachuca Miss Hastings not only "holds the fort," but pushes the

work. When we see her crowded quarters, and know of her possibilities of growth, we are led again and again to cry, "How long must three hundred children be kept in rooms only big enough for half that number?" Will not some faithful steward of the Lord in the United States help the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society to provide this precious interest with a proper home?

Miss Hastings and her older girls have co-operated most efficiently with the native pastor in holding cottage-meetings among the poor.

#### ENGLISH WORK.

Brother I. C. Cartwright and his estimable wife, a doctor in medicine, arrived in this country during the session of our Conference, and were appointed to the English work in the State of Hidalgo. This work then consisted of two congregations, one in Pachuca and a small one in Real del Monte. Since then Brother Cartwright has begun fortnightly preaching in Santa Gertrudis, where through the courtesy of the director he is permitted to use the office of the mining company as a place of worship. It is quite likely that preaching services will hereafter be held monthly in Velasco, making four appointments in the English work.

As some time was needed to get settled in his new home, at this date Brother Cartwright has had only a little over six months in his appointment. Yet the results of his faithful ministry and the devoted co-operation of his wife as a Christian physician are apparent in many ways. Among the increasing causes of encouragement is the recent conversion of an entire family—father, mother, and son. Their clear and joyous testimonies in the Sabbath morning class are an inspiration to all.

The conversion of this family seems largely due, under providence, to Sister Cartwright, who was called to the bedside of the sick mother.

Besides this, other cases which might be cited, such as her tireless but successful efforts when a serious epidemic threatened Miss Hastings's school last summer, prove beyond a doubt that a large and important field lies before Dr. Marguerite Cartwright in Pachuca.

#### PUEBLA DISTRICT.—S. P. CRAVER, P.E.

The work on this district has been fairly prosperous during the past year, and every point has been sustained. There has been some growth at nearly every point on the district, and in several places new congregations have been organized, while still others are about to be formed. I will not enter into a review of the work at each place, but simply give the salient points connected with the progressive movement of the cause.

#### NEW CONGREGATIONS.

Brother Benito Perez, the present pastor and teacher in Atzala, has established two new congregations in connection with that point, one at Tzompahuacan, a town some four leagues distant from Atzala. There are four families connected with the church there, and though surrounded by darkness and superstition they maintain their faith with steadfastness.



The other congregation is in Chietla, an important town about one league from Atzala, and the place from which the murderous mob proceeded a few years ago and assassinated twenty of our brethren on a Sunday morning in Atzala. The interest and enthusiasm of the small group of believers augurs a good future for the Gospel in that fanatical town. In spite of sickness and the duties of school work, the pastor in Atzala has worked effectively in the pastoral and circuit duties belonging to his charge.

On the Apizaco Circuit, under the supervision of Professor Limric, a new congregation has been established at San Salvador Pzompantepec, and an earnest group of believers have withstood opposition and various forms of persecution throughout the year. There seems to be every reason to suppose that the work there is genuine and stable. Occasional services have been held in Atlehuetzia and San Francisco, about two leagues distant from Apizaco.

On the Tlaxcala Circuit a new work has begun at Tepehitie, with two brothers and their families as a nucleus. They have had to withstand personal encounters with the curate of Tlaxcala, but have come out triumphant on the biblical argument. In San Juan Totonac, in the same neighborhood, some services have been held, but no regular congregation has been started.

Work was begun at San Buenaventura on the San Martin Circuit, and for a few weeks all went well; but some powerful influence was brought to bear on the brethren and they asked for a suspension of the work. We hope to enter there again later on, and will doubtless have fruit, for the seed has been sown.

#### NEW CHAPELS.

In San Felipe Teotlalcingo, San Martin Circuit, the brethren of the congregation have bought a house and lot fronting on the plaza, and the house has been transformed into a chapel until such time as they shall be able to build a suitable church. The house and lot only cost \$100, but every cent of it has been subscribed by the congregation, and is to be paid at the close of this year. It means as much to them as \$1,000 would to any little country congregation at home. The purchase was a necessity because we had been obliged to move twice within a little over a year, and on the expiration of our lease, September 30, we would have been left in the street. Now our congregation is established in its own property, and the brethren are jubilant.

In Panotla, Tlaxcala Circuit, the foundations of a new chapel, large enough to seat two hundred and fifty persons, have been laid, and work is going forward. It will probably cost about \$1,000, and the brethren are bearing most of the expense themselves. Bishop Ninde and wife have also lent a hand to this good work. We have asked help from the Missionary Society so as to be able to finish the building.

In Puebla a new church, the design and plans for which were approved by the Board, is now under construction, and we expect to have a part of it ready for dedication in January next. It will probably be the largest and handsomest Protestant church thus far built in this country. It will

cost all complete about \$18,000 (Mexican), and will contribute very largely to the building up of our work in this city, and will afford our students in the two important schools here a constant object-lesson in the normal exercise of Protestant worship. Besides this it gives our work a fair chance to grow, which it has not had heretofore.

#### PERSECUTION.

This has not been so marked as it was last year, though there has been some. Brother Mariano Fermoso, the student preacher in charge of San Martin Circuit, was assaulted one Sunday morning on the road from one appointment to another and severely beaten by two ruffians, who thought to drive him away from his work. Complaint was made to the authorities, and though the forms of a trial were had, justice was completely thwarted and the lawless men were not so much as confined for an hour. However, no further violence has been done and our work goes forward steadily.

In Tzompantepec, State of Tlaxcala, a few weeks ago, one of our brethren was thrown into prison at the instigation of the curate, and was sentenced to three months' imprisonment as a criminal because, forsooth, he had refused to render worship to a crucifix in the hands of the curate, and had sustained his refusal by argument with the priest. As soon as the case came to my knowledge I appealed to the governor of the State, and he ordered the persecuted man to be put at liberty. His order was immediately obeyed.

#### SCHOOLS.

Primary schools are sustained in Atzala, Apizaco, Panotla, Puebla, and San Felipe, and are doing a very important work in forming the character and molding the thought of the rising generation of Protestants. There can be no doubt that a few years hence we shall have a better and higher type of Christians, if only our teachers are faithful to their trust. Over three hundred and forty children are receiving instruction in these schools. That means more than one hundred Protestant homes later on imbued with the principles of the Gospel of Christ and under the influence of intelligent parents.

#### THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AND PREPARATORY SCHOOL.

There has been no essential change in the faculty from that of last year. Professor Limric was married at the beginning of this year, and his wife has begun to teach vocal music and English. She has special capability for teaching music. The attendance has been about the same as last year, though it might have been increased had there been funds available for the support of those who are unable to pay their way. The amount of self-support, or income from other sources than the Missionary Society, continues to increase. This year it has reached almost \$4,000. Last year we received from students or their friends in this country, \$2,428.15; but this year this source of income has yielded \$3,414.19, while from the United States we have only received this year \$528.04, against \$1,121.78 last year.

Besides all this J. D. Flint, Esq., of Fall River, Mass., made a present of \$5,000, gold, for the purchase of additional property for the school. This amount he had loaned us last year, and the property was bought in October, 1890. The loan has now become a gift, thanks to the generous impulses of this good Christian layman. We have not had any revival this year, but the social meetings have maintained a fair degree of spiritual interest, though not all that we desire. May God fire us anew for his work!

#### THE SCHOOLS OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

In Apizaco the school has had rather a broken year. Miss Xochihua taught one month and then left the work to enter the marriage relation. Another teacher was secured, but after one month's trial gave up because of severe sickness in her family. The school was closed over two months when Miss Herlinda Bonilla was engaged to take it, and since May she has been doing good work. The school has not, however, recovered all it lost by the frequent changes.

The school in Puebla has been re-enforced by the addition of Miss Anna R. Limberger to the corps of teachers, and the addition is a valuable one, she being thoroughly versed in modern methods and greatly devoted to primary and elementary work. Miss Parker has shown herself to be an excellent manager, and the school has prospered in every respect. The growth of members in the boarding department has necessitated the re-fitting of a part of the old building purchased two years ago, but the increase of income has allowed these changes to be made without debt. With two exceptions the teachers heretofore employed have continued, but by the help of the advanced pupils no loss has come to the school by the changes made. The school is a great power for good in this city.

#### NORTHERN DISTRICT.—S. W. SIBERTS, P.E.

The year has had its trials and its triumphs. There has been general progress, but nothing remarkable. The Northern District encounters special difficulties which are fully appreciated by those who are acquainted with the field. Although there have been no remarkable results, still we believe that the ground has been prepared and the seed sown for glorious harvests in the future.

*Guanajuato.* M. M. Perez, one of our young Mexican preachers, was left in charge of this important work, which has generally demanded the supervision of a foreign missionary. Still he has sustained the work well. His influence has been widely felt, not only in the congregation, but throughout the city, and especially among the liberal element of society. He is respected by all who know him and greatly beloved by our people. The statistics show some progress.

Our school has enrolled twenty-eight boys during the year, and is under the direction of M. Avila, a graduate of our seminary in Puebla.

In July of this year the Rev. L. B. Salmans joined us in our work here, and his presence and knowledge of medicine have greatly helped our

cause. As a physician he has visited many persons of both high and low degree, and he tries to help the souls as well as the bodies of men. His medical practice is a great force for good and he has inspired our preacher, teachers, and congregation with increased zeal and love for the Gospel. He is rapidly gaining a wide-spread influence, and we predict that his presence will be a lasting benefit to our Guanajuato work. We visit from Guanajuato the surrounding towns of El Cubo, Santa Rosa, Peregrina, San Cayetano, and other places with tracts, books, Bibles, and periodicals. In all these points we could open work at once if we had money for rent and furniture for chapels. We stand well with the government and with the authorities generally throughout the State. All collections were fully met.

The school of the W. F. M. Society, under the direction of Miss Ida B. Walton, has continued the good work of former years. A night-school for women has also been carried on during the year.

*Silao.* Our work here, under the charge of D. Garcia, has met with constant and bitter opposition during the year. Our people have been persecuted and our school children stoned frequently in the streets. At one time an attempt was made to fire through the window during services, but fortunately the bullet lodged in the window-frame. Our congregation has varied from fifteen to forty-five. Our people in Silao are under the ban of the whole population and entirely cut off from all about them. Our progress here has been, and for some time will be, slow, but our work is not without hope. From here visits have been made to La Aldea and Ronista. The school numbers thirty-one boys and girls.

*Salamanca.* This work, with El Valle, has continued under the direction of A. Pivero. Brother Pivero has visited two new points, La Canada and Pueblo Nuevo, through invitation of friends of our work. We understand that all we need is funds to open work in these new places. All one can do here with our present appropriations is to hold the ground we have already gained. The congregation has grown some during the year and the community has been very favorably impressed with the character of our work. Our preacher here has friends among all classes of society. Tract distribution has been carried on in the community generally and especially among the soldiers and government employees, where we have many friends and sympathizers.

*Cueramero.* Juan Patino, who is in charge, has opened a school this year and enrolled fifteen pupils. Our plan now is to pay special attention to the school, believing that it can be made successful in winning influence in the community. The work moves slowly and in the midst of constant opposition and persecution. Our people have been stoned, and even water has been denied them. Who can wonder that our progress is slow when we are forced to contend with such fearful opposition? A very large and wealthy surrounding country filled with fine farms and ranches feels the influence of our work through the means of books, tracts, and our church paper.

*Queretaro and San Juan del Rio.* At our Conference, January, 1891, these two points were combined into Queretaro Circuit, and S. I. Lopez



put in charge, San Juan being most too small a work to require all the time of a preacher. Following the suggestion of Bishop Mallalieu, we opened a school here in 1890, which was very promising, but we had to close it at our last Annual Conference for lack of funds. Such is the peculiar condition of our work in Queretaro that we are persuaded that this is the only means of making it successful. One good boarding-school here would give us influence in the city and would in time become self-supporting. Queretaro is a very important point, and our work was begun and has been maintained here in the midst of trials and severe persecutions. It should not be abandoned now. There are some in the city and many near who would patronize our school. Until this is done our efforts here will be in vain, for years to come at least.

*Celaya.* Jose Chanez is in charge, aided by Gregoria Garcia, an exhorter. Our presence in Celaya is of itself a triumph for the mission cause throughout Mexico. Several attempts had been made to open work here; the result was riot and bloodshed. The Romanists boasted that Protestantism could never be established in Celaya.

Our work began here November 27, 1890, under great difficulties, and since that time the government has had an armed guard stationed at the door of the mission house night and day. Only thus can we be protected from a fanatical populace. Such was the opposition we met that we were over a year trying to secure a place for our services, and finally succeeded in getting a part of an abandoned convent. Here services are regularly held and many have come to talk with our preacher about Protestantism and learn of this new way. Celaya forms the center of a large circuit. Pioneer work has been done in a number of surrounding towns. From Celaya we visit Apaseo, Cortazar, El Guaje, Salvatierra, Moroleon, and other points. In all these places work has been done. In several services have been held and we have received numerous appeals to establish work in them. All through the State of Guanajuato there are small groups of Protestants in the towns and villages who sympathize with our work and are anxiously waiting for us to preach to them.

*El Abogado Cristiano*, the official organ of our Church in Mexico, and edited by the Presiding Elder of the Northern District, has been issued regularly during the year. With the kind and efficient co-operation of some members of the Conference, the good name and merit of our paper has been maintained. Our paper, books, and tracts go where the preacher cannot go yet, and prepare the way for the further advance of regular organized work. The importance of the printed page cannot be overestimated in evangelistic work in Mexico. God's blessing has been with us during the year, and we now leave our work with Him who alone "giveth the increase."

#### COAST DISTRICT.—WILLIAM GREEN, P.E.

The Coast District continues to enlarge its bounds. In every department of its work the statistics will show an advance. We have to report an increase of nine new congregations, five new day-schools, with an in-

crease of two hundred and fifty-one scholars ; five new Sabbath-schools, with one hundred and ten new scholars. The average attendance upon our religious services is increased, and, above all, we believe that the spirituality of our people is deepening as they become more acquainted with our doctrines and the word of God.

In two particulars only will the statistics show a decrease as compared with last year. Last year we were able to report two hundred and five conversions ; this year only one hundred and two. Last year we raised on the district for the various benevolent societies \$77 ; this year we fall to \$68. With these two exceptions we are able to show an advance that is very gratifying. All, however, has not been smooth sailing. Some of our workers have been in prison, their only crime being their zeal for the glory of God and the salvation of the souls of their fellows.

*Cordova Circuit*, under the direction of Brother Adelaida Bribiesca, has prospered. The congregation has been well sustained. The brethren have of their own will painted and renovated the chapel, and have contributed a considerable amount toward the purchase of an organ for use in their services. They expect to raise enough to complete the purchase in a short time. Huatusco is a part of this circuit, and opens up a very prosperous field for our work. The little society there are also raising money for the purchase of an organ, and promise in the near future to contribute largely toward the support of their own preacher. They are very anxious to have their own pastor, who shall also teach their children the rudiments of a Christian education. Most of our people in Amatlan have moved away, so that it has been found very difficult to maintain regular services there. We have but two families there now, and these we try to induce to attend our services in Cordova. The time of the preacher is fully occupied in developing the work on that part of the circuit which promises the largest returns.

*Cuilapam* is new work opened this year. The outlook we think is very promising. We have already a day-school of forty scholars and a night-school of about twenty scholars. In addition to the work of teaching these two schools the preacher has three or four preaching-places, and has gathered around him a congregation of sixty people in Cuilapam. In Zachila and Ejutla he has held services with more or less regularity. As the work is new it is impossible at present to say more than that the outlook is favorable.

*Jayacatlan* is also new work, opened this year. A society of eight members has been formed and a day-school has been organized. We have on the roll thirty-five scholars already. At this point the preacher, Hilarion Bonilla, has been arrested for opening his school, and imprisoned by the local authorities. The matter was brought to the attention of the State authorities, and the presidente municipal was removed from his office for his prejudice and bigotry. We are not molested at this writing, and have every reason to suppose that in the future we shall meet with no further molestation.

*Oaxaca Circuit* includes the greater part of the State of that name.

Some of the outlying appointments are nearly one hundred and fifty miles away from the center, and all have to be reached on horseback. Some of the journeys are very fatiguing. Lofty mountains have to be crossed, deep and dangerous valleys have to be passed through, rivers have to be forded that often carry away both horse and rider ; but for the most part the work is in the large towns and villages. Through all this vast circuit we have free access to the people, and rarely meet with any opposition. We greatly need a foreigner at the head of this work. The year has been a very prosperous one in all this territory.

*Orizaba Circuit* continues the strongest work within the bounds of the district. Brother Abundio Tovar, the pastor, has done splendid work this year. He has three schools and three preaching-places where we have regular services, but he has traveled to a large number of the adjoining towns to prepare the way for the future of our work in those places. The membership shows a decrease of eighteen, but this is the result of a careful sifting of the records. We have three teachers and two local preachers on this circuit.

*Tehuacan Circuit*, we think, is in a more secure condition than heretofore. Not that we have made more progress, but at present at least we are free from persecution and annoyance. Our strength there is about as in the last report. We have a day-school where we hope to build up among the children a love of education and a broader view of truth.

*Tetela Circuit* has been prosperous. The school under the auspices of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society is in a very thriving condition. Miss Hewett has done a noble work for God in that town. Miss Amelia Van Dorsten has been sent out to assist her, and to all appearance the choice of the ladies in sending her out was a wise one. We have organized a boys' day-school in Tetela, in which we have matriculated thirty-five boys. We are expecting great things from this school. We now practically control the education of the town. Our services are well attended, and on the whole we think the outlook is brighter than in the past.

*Tezuittlan Circuit*, under the direction of Plutarco Bernal, has done well. Our school has increased from ten to thirty-nine during the year. It has a good standing in the community, and promises much for the future. This is a very important field, and needs at once a re-enforcement of workers.

*Tuxpam Circuit* continues about as last year. We have an increase in probationers, and a larger hold upon the community. With these exceptions we are about the same as last year. Our great need is a permanent home for our services. One of the brethren, seeing this necessity, has donated a plot of land in a good location for the use of the society. We ought to be able at once to erect a suitable building upon it. Until this is done we fear that we shall not be able to make any further progress. Our day-school is in a flourishing condition.

*San Andres, Tuxtla Circuit*, is growing. Our day and night schools have increased from forty-five scholars last year to one hundred and three this year. We think the conditions that surround us there are growing more favorable.

*Santiago el Menor* is a new work. We have a day-school of seventy-four scholars and a society of three members. Through the kindness of Bishop Ninde I have been able to purchase a small house and chapel. The preacher there is not dependent upon the caprices of enemies for a roof to shelter him and his work. The money the bishop gave me has given us an abiding place for our work in this the most southern appointment in our Conference.

*Xochiapulco Circuit.* Brother M. Fernandez, the pastor, has been unable to work for the greater part of the year. He is suffering from paralysis, and in all probability his work is done. He is a good man and a faithful worker. The burden of the work has fallen upon the assistant pastor, N. Aguilar. He has worked faithfully, and with some success. We have organized a girls' school in Xochiapulco, and have on the roll one hundred and twenty-nine scholars. This work cannot be over-estimated in its importance. One of the most pressing needs of these people is a knowledge of the arts of civilized life. The population are Aztecs of the purest stock. They have lived in these inaccessible mountains from immemorial time. Their modes of living, of dressing, etc., are of the most primitive kind. The women wear a simple blanket wrapped around the loins and reaching to the knees; the upper part of the body is for the most part uncovered. The dress of the men, what there is of it, is of white muslin. The women do not know how to sew or make clothing of any kind. In our girls' school, in addition to the regular studies required by the law, we have classes in all the necessary departments of the household economy, sewing, making and repairing of clothing, etc. This department of the school is so popular that the girls attend the classes three afternoons a week from some of the surrounding villages. While we give attention to all these things we do not forget the needs of the soul. All our scholars understand that first of all our school is a religious school.

The church which we have had to rebuild is now about ready for occupation. With this church open for our use we expect to increase our work and influence largely in the near future.

In all our work we have much to encourage us and many things to be thankful for. "The harvest truly is plenteous." The privilege to work in this field fills the soul with joy and rejoicing. The Lord grant that we may be faithful to the great trust placed in our hands.



# STATISTICS

CIRCUIT OR STATION.	No. of Appointments.	Foreign Missionaries.	Assistant Missionaries.	Foreign Missionaries, Wom. For. Miss. Society.	Native Workers of Wom. For. Miss. Society.	Native Ord. Preachers.	Native Unord. Preachers.	Native Teachers.	Foreign Teachers.	Other Helpers.	Members.	Probationers.	Adherents.	Average Attendance on Sunday Worship.	Converts during they <sup>r</sup> .	Adults Baptized.	Children Baptized.	No. of Theological Schools.	No. of Teachers in same.	No. of Students.	No. of High-schools.	No. of Teachers in same.	No. of Pupils.	No. of other Day-schools.	No. of other Day Scholars.	
<i>Central District.</i>																										
Ayapango Circuit.....	6	..	..	..	2	..	1	6	..	1	70	14	142	100	10	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	261	
Mexico and Ixtacalco.....	3	2	2	2	3	1	..	4	2	2	182	28	350	200	..	4	25	..	..	..	1	4	60	2	130	
Miraflores.....	1	..	..	..	4	1	..	7	..	1	88	..	190	75	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	303	
Santa Ana Nextlalpan.....	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	20	24	69	30	6	5	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
San Vicente Chicoloapam.....	2	..	..	..	1	..	1	2	..	1	44	13	90	50	2	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	73	
<i>Hidalgo District.</i>																										
Huehuetla Circuit.....	5	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	40	44	200	65	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Pachuca Circuit.....	2	1	1	1	..	1	2	..	..	1	71	12	400	95	..	4	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
" (English) Circuit.....	3	1	1	..	..	..	4	..	..	2	45	4	300	100	5	..	9	..	..	1	2	40	3	..	520	
Real del Monte Circuit.....	3	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	12	95	130	73	15	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	92	
Tzontepac Circuit.....	11	..	..	..	2	1	1	1	..	..	90	185	600	150	8	52	8	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	150	
Tulancingo Circuit.....	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	2	30	30	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Zacualtipan Circuit.....	10	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	39	145	450	225	15	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	43	
<i>Northern District.</i>																										
Celaya Circuit.....	6	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	1	24	21	100	75	3	5	3	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	9	
Cuernavero.....	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	2	4	25	16	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	15	
Guanajuato Circuit.....	1	1	1	1	3	2	1	1	2	102	24	375	70	10	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	83	
Queretaro.....	2	1	1	..	1	1	..	..	2	51	39	98	65	4	5	8	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	17	
Salamanca.....	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	25	15	18	54	26	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Silao.....	2	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	1	19	8	90	36	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	
<i>Puebla District.</i>																										
Atlixco Circuit.....	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	8	8	80	10	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Apizaco Circuit.....	2	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	40	15	150	50	15	4	4	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	101	
Atzacula Circuit.....	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	58	18	175	65	5	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	23	
Cholula.....	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	10	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	
Puebla.....	1	8	8	8	4	1	1	4	3	106	97	300	140	2	..	6	1	3	5	2	16	86	2	..	171	
San Martin Circuit.....	3	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	28	87	75	45	3	28	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	10	
Tlaxcala Circuit.....	8	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	17	36	100	50	..	3	3	5	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	42	
<i>Coast District.</i>																										
Cordoba.....	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	11	29	80	40	3	5	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	40	
Cuiclampan.....	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	5	8	80	55	10	5	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	
Jayacatlan.....	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	8	7	40	21	18	3	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	35	
Oaxaca.....	7	..	..	..	..	4	2	4	30	154	800	80	15	5	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	48	
Orizava.....	3	1	1	..	2	1	2	2	3	90	70	300	95	9	2	8	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	100	
Tehuacan.....	7	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	10	10	20	10	3	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	15	
Tetela.....	3	..	2	..	2	1	1	..	3	12	7	42	26	5	3	2	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	100	
Tezuatlan.....	5	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	7	12	50	55	5	8	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	39	
Tuxpan.....	8	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	40	21	200	50	6	5	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	67	
Santiago el Menor.....	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	3	5	300	60	3	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	74	
Xochiapulco.....	6	..	..	..	3	1	2	4	..	2	29	17	500	95	8	6	9	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	129	
Tuxtla.....	3	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	1	24	26	300	60	12	6	8	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	103	

## RECAPITULATION

Central District.....	13	2	2	2	11	2	3	19	2	5	354	79	841	455	18	9	56	...	...	...	1	4	60	9	767
Hidalgo District.....	37	2	2	1	2	2	10	8	...	4	301	490	2,110	740	43	58	32	...	...	...	1	2	40	8	805
Northern District.....	16	2	2	1	4	3	5	4	...	8	223	114	732	258	22	10	19	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	160
Puebla District.....	15	3	8	3	5	1	5	7	...	4	257	212	840	368	30	85	25	1	3	5	2	16	86	5	346
Coast District.....	44	1	1	2	7	5	15	14	...	24	269	366	2,212	647	102	53	68	...	...	...	...	...	18	750	
This year.....	125	10	10	9	29	13	38	47	2	45	1,404	1,261	6,735	2,498	217	165	200	1	3	5	4	22	186	49	2,828
Last year.....	101	9	8	7	35	10	30	25	3	38	1,308	1,229	6,106	2,305	349	120	156	1	3	5	3	9	115	42	2,725

1. All values in Mexican currency: to reduce to gold basis discount one third.

3. School Income, \$1,844; Church Income, \$390.

5. Woman's Foreign Missionary Society Home and School-house.

7. Of this sum, \$23,000 belongs to Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

# OF MEXICO.

No. of Sabbath-schools.	No. of Sabbath Scholars.	No. of Orphans.	No. Churches and Chapels.	Estimated Value of Churches and Chapels.	No. of Halls and other rented Places of Worship.	No. of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Estimated Value of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Value of Orphanages, Schools, Hospitals, Book Rooms, etc.	Debt on Real Estate.	Collected for Missionary Society.	Collected for other Benevolent Societies.	Collected for Self-support.	Collected for Church Building and Repairing.	Contributed for other Local Purposes.	Volumes Printed during the Year.	Pages Printed during the Year.	
2	50	1	1	\$1,800	..	..	..	\$2,500	..	\$10 00	..	..	\$100 00	..	..	..	..
1	120	80	1	88,000	..	4	\$52,000	\$63,000	..	85 00	\$40 00	\$2,284 00	..	..	497,800	2,039,800	
1	105	..	1	5,000	..	..	2,500	4,500	..	..	..	1,816 00	..	..	..	..	
1	40	..	1	800	..	..	..	..	\$235	..	..	8 00	70 00	..	..	..	
1	30	..	2	2,000	..	..	..	..	..	18 00	8 50	17 00	..	\$11 00	..	..	
1	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	200	..	2 00	..	10 00	..	..	..	..	
2	70	2	2	4,000	..	2	3,000	\$6,000	..	45 00	22 00	187 00	60 00	5 00	..	..	
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2. Of this, \$43,000 belongs to Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and \$18,000 to press.

4. Three books, 4 pamphlets, 3 tracts, 3 papers, etc.

6. Of this sum, \$4,000 belongs to Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

8. Of this sum, \$4,842 is from the two schools.

# KOREA.

Commenced in 1885.

BISHOP NINDE HAS EPISCOPAL SUPERVISION.

APPOINTMENTS.

H. G. APPENZELLER, *Superintendent*.

*Seoul Circuit*.—F. Ohlinger, George Heber Jones, one to be supplied.

*Chemulpo*.—H. G. Appenzeller.

W. B. Scranton,\* Superintendent Medical Work.

W. B. McGill, Physician in Charge.

W. J. Hall, Physician.

H. G. Appenzeller, Principal Pai Chai College.

George Heber Jones, Teacher Pai Chai College.

W. F. M. S.

Louisa C. Rothweiler, Principal Ewa School and Bible Work.

Margaretha J. Bengel, Teacher in Ewa School.

Rosetta Sherwood, Physician in Charge of Medical Work.

Mrs. M. F. Scranton.\*

Superintendent Appenzeller reports as follows :

The seventh Annual Meeting of the Korean Mission was held June 10-13, 1891, Bishop Goodsell presiding. The sessions were held in the mornings only, and continued four days. On Sunday, June 14, the bishop ordained the Rev. George Heber Jones an elder. The addresses of the bishop were very helpful to us, they being full of hope and encouragement. Since 1887, when Bishop Warren visited us, we have had four episcopal visits, all of which have been productive of much good in confirming and establishing us in our work.

No new work was undertaken during the year, but what was in hand was developed. Up to the time of the Annual Meeting the Seoul Circuit was in charge of myself and Brother Yon, our local preacher. We had a year of quiet and substantial growth, all the meetings being well sustained. The class formed for probationers was attended by some who were not Christians.

In the fall of 1890 I began holding meetings in Chong No, the center of the city, commercially as well as locally. We met in the evening, but our attendance either in number or regularity could not compare with that at the eating and drinking saloons, of which there are three between us

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\* In United States.

and the main street. In the spring we moved to our book-store on the main street, but the attendance increased not, as far as those living in the immediate neighborhood was concerned. I failed to see any anxiety on the part of the unconverted Koreans to have the Gospel preached to them. They would rather not know the way of salvation, for they prefer darkness to light and sin to righteousness. But "this Gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations," and it is our joy and privilege to do this. Our brethren have zeal and perseverance, and they have it without the stimulus of money. They travel in the country, hold meetings, sell books and tracts at markets and on the streets of Seoul and other towns, all without monetary remuneration. We hope to raise up a strong native church by giving each man something to do.

It is hard for us to appreciate the sacrifices made sometimes, or the efforts put forth to be a Christian. The Korean is something of a stoic. No one can tell what struggles take place under the broad-brimmed horse-hair hat. A man came to me for months with questions on parts of the Bible he had been reading and could not understand. He seemed thoughtful and in earnest. One afternoon I pressed him to make a full surrender to Christ. He said, substantially, "I cannot now. When my father died several months ago he charged me not to become a Catholic, and to be faithful in offering sacrifices to the ancestors. I would like to become a Christian, but I must wait and perform my promise." He has less interest now than then.

A Christian came to the ladies and asked to have his wife taught. The times of the different meetings were given him, but being too poor to hire a chair and too high to walk in the day, and living outside the city walls, it seemed impossible for her to get to the meetings. The difficulty, however, was solved by bringing her in a little before the gates closed in the evening, and after church helping her down over the city wall. This was tried once, but he reported the risk too great to try it again. Whatever may be thought of the merits of this hazardous experiment, it showed earnest desire on his part to have his wife become a Christian, and an equal willingness on her part to comply.

*Educational Work.*—The educational work of the mission continues to hold a chief place. The enrollment, fifty-three, in the school was not quite as large as the year before, but the work done was never better, if as good. There is little demand for native interpreters, and consequently the number of applicants decreases. The Chinese New Testament is a part of the course now. Nearly all the students work their way through school; none are given any financial support that is not earned.

*Medical Work.*—This continues to prosper, as may be seen from the reports of Drs. Scranton and McGill.

Rev. George Heber Jones reports:

During the past year my work has been largely in Seoul, teaching in our mission-school and preaching on the city circuit. In April a trip was made with a native helper to the Korean-Chinese boundary in the



north, occupying thirty-two days, and covering seven hundred and fifty miles of territory. We visited over thirty large cities and districts, telling the gospel story in many of them, and selling three hundred and twenty-nine copies of Scriptures, Christian books, etc., for which we received about 20,000 cash.

We found the people friendly and easy of approach, and were everywhere treated with kindness and hospitality. At the large city of Piung Yang, the largest provincial capital in the country, we found our work languishing for want of proper supervision; most of the original class of inquirers had removed to other parts of the province, and no increase had supplied the depleted members. Brother Cho, a military noble of the fifth rank, was our host; he is earnest and zealous, and seemed a chief man among the brethren. I preached three times, as did also Brother Yon, the native helper with me. We had five adult applicants for baptism, taking them for a six months' probation for the rite, which we trust will not be esteemed an innovation on Methodistic usage. They applied of their own accord.

From here we pushed on one hundred and fifty miles further north to the frontier city of Wechu. Here we found a small company of brethren, and held sweet communion with them. They are rejoicing and active in the midst of discouragement. Here, also, there were applicants for baptism. From Wechu the road lay backward to Seoul, three hundred and fifty miles to the south. A detour was made to visit the city of Hai Chu, capital of the Whoang Hai Province. There is no work there yet, but we pray God a light may soon be set up in the midst of its darkness. It is impossible to speak of the moral death of heathenism. A ride across a pagan country is like a plunge into darkness. It is a trite saying that while we can measure only the visible outcome of human labor in the Master's vineyard, he takes cognizance of vast and eternal results which lie beyond human vision. To the worker in Korea, faith in this in these pioneer days is precious.

*Seoul Circuit.*—Rev. F. Ohlinger, preacher in charge.

There are five regular appointments on this circuit. At the oldest and best of these we have as many as fifty attendants, at one of the others two to a dozen, and at another two. We have reason to believe that the truth is becoming known in Korea. Faithful seed-sowing is done at the hospitals and dispensaries.

*The Tri-lingual Press.*—Rev. F. Ohlinger, manager.

The difficulties we have to contend with are numerous. Nearly all our purchases have to be made in China and Japan, and the "import," together with the transportation, makes all our material very expensive. We find it difficult to compete with the large printing-establishments in Japan, where much child-labor is employed. At times the work has barely been sufficient to keep the students who "work their way" at school by type-setting in rice, and, again, there has been an inconvenient rush of work. This will largely be obviated by the publication of the magazine, *The Korean Repository*, to begin with January, 1892. A few stated

jobs would prove helpful in many ways. Our Korean printing is giving general satisfaction; it is probably too early to speak of our Chinese and English. These two departments of the press will receive special attention after we move into the new building.

*Medical Work.*—William B. Scranton, M.D., medical director.

In these nearly six years we have reached almost twenty thousand people. I can recall no plan made for the medical work which has been retracted, and we have had a steady growth and progress in all ways. The dispensary opened at *A-o-gi* in 1889 has been closed to medical work, I acknowledge, because of insufficient attendance to warrant the expenditure of time needed to go and come. But this work is not lost, Christian work has been carried on there for several months at the hands of Brother Ohlinger; and my mother, Mrs. M. F. Scranton, has undertaken evangelical work for women at that place.

The new dispensary on the Great South Gate Street was opened by Dr. McGill in the fall of 1890. This place is now doing well, and fulfilling its bright promise. It is on this site that the proposed new hospital is to be built. This street is one of greatest traffic in the city, and our lot is elevated some twenty feet higher than the surrounding land.

It should be remarked here that, so far, our medical work has all been done in native buildings, remodeled to meet our needs as far as possible. The inconveniences and inadequacy of such quarters; the present assured status and increase of medical work; the certainty of our relations, and the cordial reception of such an undertaking by the Korean people, demand that in the interest of efficient work this new hospital should be erected at the earliest moment.

During the past calendar year Drs. McGill and Scranton were associated together at the Chong Dong Hospital for the first half of the year, and a little more, and also took charge of the Woman's Hospital, next door, during nine months of the year, before the arrival of the lady physician.

	Patients.
At the Chong Dong (or original and main place of work) were seen.....	5,360
At Woman's Hospital (nine months).....	1,576
At A-o-gi (Dr. McGill), up to June.....	297
At South Gate Street Hospital (two months).....	300
Total.....	7,533

At *Chong Dong* Hospital we have had a monthly average of inmates, 9.8. These made an average stay of 14.8 days. These inmates are all of the poorer class, and often prove that caloric and food are in themselves good medicines. No one has, however, been taken into the wards for such administration only. During the yearly epidemic of "Impyeng," or native protracted and contagious fevers, many lives have been saved by bringing such patients from the streets, where they had been cast out, to the hospital shelter. And so, too, in not a few cases of summer cholera.

I rejoice that so many thousands have been helped by the physical

agencies which God has put in our hands, yet more that some have certainly come to a knowledge of his greater truths by reason of our work and teaching. Daily religious talks have been held in the dispensaries, free and open to all who come, and it is rare when a patient does not hear the word one or more times during his attendance at the dispensaries, or in the wards. Mr. Han, our earliest convert and native Christian helper, grows daily more and more interested in his work, and holds forth the word, reading and explaining the same to the patients before the doctors' arrival, after their departure, and at any time when they come to him. He frequently has inquirers in his rooms day and night. The Scriptures in parts and religious tracts are daily and openly on sale, and during the past year, from the dispensaries alone from eight to nine hundred were dispensed.

During 1890 special religious services were held in the hospital on Sundays, and during this year, also, up to the time of my departure. The native church services of our mission are held in the hospital compound.

As a report or summary of our Christian work, there is much scattering all over the land, and we believe the entrance of the word giveth light. Though our fruitage is not quick after sowing, yet from time to time we hear, here and there, of the positive results. Our patients come from all over the kingdom, and so, by consequence, the results of our work must be as widely sought after. The results are with Him who works, not by might or by power, but by his Spirit.

Two patients have joined the church during the last year on probation; the two assistants in the dispensary and hospital also. We have the names of several more living in the country who have shown a desire to know Christ. As we have had one more worker added to our number since my return—Dr. W. J. Hall—we shall soon be able to follow up such cases as these, and see that the seed sown is not soon devoured, as well as search out many proofs of the efficiency of our work in this department.

Outside the above work, I have spent much time in the beginnings of New Testament translation, on a committee with Brother Underwood, of the Presbyterian mission. This was at the appointment of the Korean Bible Committee—a union committee. At my departure, Brother Appenzeller ably added this to his present labors. There is crying need for hurrying on the translation as fast as possible, as only a few portions of Scripture are now available, except in the Chinese language.

One hospital convert in six weeks, while in attendance for medical aid, read the New Testament through four times and the Old Testament twice. This man is an official and has an excellent education in Chinese, which enabled him to perform a feat such as I presume none of us have succeeded in. On questioning, he showed that the Holy Spirit had been his interpreter, and had aided him in the understanding of the spirit as well as the letter of the word.

He was received on probation, took active part in instructing others during his remaining sojourn at the capital, and on departing announced that

he would instruct his family and his neighbors in the teachings whose spirit makes all men of one heart.

I have given also much time to other literary work, and also to medical literature—this latter chiefly in the line of nomenclature of drugs and diseases in Korea.

There is at present no call for a medical school, but we hope that in time our two present assistants at least will carry on medical work of their own.

If we may take the verdict of the natives in regard to our medical work it meets the ends for which it was inaugurated.

It has gained the confidence of the people for our work in all departments. It has plowed up prejudices and now reaps unstinted praise. In the matter of an operation for cataract one wrote, "This year all men have heard that the doctor has put an eye in a blind man, and they say 'even stone, wood, and animals have had their feelings aroused,' and all the men of Korea say 'if all foreigners did like the doctor-teacher we would believe what they say.' Were there only in Korea many such durable customs and firm hearts as these of the doctor-teacher naturally our hearts would be broken open."

We have treated all ranks, from the king himself to the poorest in the land; and we have offered the word both to prince and pauper. We do not need enlarged opportunity for work, but the assistance of men and time to meet the obligations and openings now at hand. The doors are wide open for the medical worker.

Now, as the work ends its sixth and enters its seventh year, it is our prayer and faith that it may have brought a true rest and Sabbath to many hearts that would not have otherwise have known the truth that makes them free.

A word of thanks should be openly expressed by me to Surgeon Major I. Wiles, late of the English army, but now in Korea in connection with S. P. G. Society of the Church of England. Since his coming among us in Korea in the fall of 1890 he has been my true friend and associate, and though under no ties of any sort has been my fellow-worker in heart and deed. Of his own offer he has taken the labor of the Chong Dong dispensary since my leaving Korea up to this time, and without remuneration. He fills up his declining days with acts of love and sympathy in a far off land.

#### MEDICAL WORK.

W. B. McGill, M.D., reports:

The South Gate hospital was completed about the middle of October last. It is a small brick building of two rooms, and furnishes a drug-room and waiting-room. There are some old Korean houses which are used for wards.

I commenced to see patients as soon as possible with a few drugs from Dr. Scranton's place.

I have seen in all two thousand patients, and have had a few inmates. For the most part they supported themselves.



The patients as a rule pay for the medicine. Generally the cost is about realized, and when we get well stocked we hope to keep running on the receipts.

We are only able to treat a certain number or variety of cases, as many diseases do not present themselves to the foreign doctor. We thus become a sort of specialists.

*Seoul* is the capital and a good place to do medical work and spread the Gospel. The government gives frequent examinations for rank and office, and thus the people are drawn here from all parts of the kingdom. It is also a large business center.

We talk with our patients about the Saviour and often sell a copy of the Gospel. We hold special meetings on Sunday and have from ten to thirty in attendance. At present I have three who come to study the Gospel every Sunday.

An ex-magistrate gave me twenty-five bags of coal the other day for the hospital. He said he had heard about our hospital work and was very thankful for the good done to his people. He said he would like to study the Gospel, but as he sought office and as the king is not in favor of the Gospel yet, he could not. I believe if the king were converted the nation would turn in a day.

Dr. Scranton's place is run on the same plan, and his place is partly filled by Dr. Wiles, who kindly sees the patients for him while he is in America.

The number of patients seen for the past eleven months is...	4,500
Making in all seen for the past eleven months.....	6,500
Receipts for ten months in the new place (yen).....	178.51
Receipts for eight months in the old place (yen).....	277.16
Total receipts (yen).....	455.67
Also received for books for same time (yen).....	14.50

#### STATISTICS.

*Seoul.* Foreign missionaries, 5; assistant missionaries, 4; foreign missionaries, W. F. M. S., 5; native workers of W. F. M. S., 3; native unordained preachers, 1; native teachers, 6; foreign teachers, 6; members, 15; probationers, 58; average attendance on Sunday worship, 206; adults baptized, 9; number of high-schools, 2; number of teachers in same, 12; number of pupils, 85; number of Sabbath-schools, 2; number of Sabbath scholars, 76; number of churches and chapels, 4; estimated value of churches and chapels, \$2,000; number of halls and other rented places of worship, 4; number of parsonages or homes, 6; estimated value of parsonages or homes, \$22,900; value of orphanages, schools, hospitals, book-rooms, etc., \$22,100; volumes printed during the year, 10,100.

# DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Commenced in 1812.

## ARIZONA.

Commenced in 1869.

UNDER SUPERVISION OF BISHOP MALLALIEU.

### APPOINTMENTS.

G. F. BOVARD, *Superintendent*. (P.-O., Phoenix, Arizona.)

*Casa Grande and Florence*, to be supplied; *Clifton and Solomonville*, to be supplied; *Flagstaff*, N. F. Norton; *Gila Bend Circuit*, J. A. Crouch; *Globe*, J. H. Gill; *Kingman Circuit*, M. R. Hackman; *Phoenix*, G. L. Pearson; *Prescott*, C. F. Spray; *Prescott Circuit*, to be supplied; *Solomonville, Spanish*, to be supplied; *Tempe Circuit*, C. P. Wilson; *Tombstone and Fairbanks*, F. W. Downs; *Tucson*, Elihu Snow; *Tucson, Spanish*, to be supplied; *Verde Circuit*, supplied by Daniel Battin; *Willcox Circuit*, N. L. Guthrie; *Williams and Winslow*, to be supplied.

Rev. G. F. Bovard, Superintendent, reports as follows :

In presenting this my first annual report it is only just that I should say that upon entering this field last November, as I was unexpectedly called to do, a stranger to all, save one, my reception at the homes of the pastors and people was most cordial; and the uniform courtesy and kindness extended, together with the ready and hearty co-operation of the brethren, combined to make my work among them much more pleasant than it otherwise could have been.

And it is further due that I should say that I have met with many illustrations of the wisdom and tact of my predecessor, the Rev. G. H. Adams, D.D., in that our churches are planted in the most important towns of the Territory, and in the most desirable locations of said towns. The material interests of our churches were in a very fair condition. The debts, however, were found to be somewhat greater than reported last year, this being due, very largely, to accumulated interest.

During the year something has been done to enhance the value of our property in almost every charge in the mission.

Beginning with *Kingman*, a town of about four hundred population, the first charge on the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad as we enter the Territory from California, we found a very neat church building inclosed—a small class organized, and a Sunday-school of about forty scholars. Rev.

William G. Blakely, a local preacher, as supply, has superintended the Sunday-school, preached to the people once each week, has improved the church by painting and ceiling at a cost of about \$300, and has given as much of his time to the general interests of our society as his other duties would allow. It will yet require about \$500 to complete this building according to the plan. Brother Blakely deserves much credit for his wise management of this enterprise, so that there is now no indebtedness. But he, being district attorney for Mojave County, is unable to do the work of a pastor in charge which that field now demands; hence he, while gladly doing what he has done, asks to be relieved, and that a minister who can give his whole time to the work be sent. Kingman, Mineral Park, and the settlement along the Big Sandy River will make a good circuit, and should receive the most careful consideration in planning our work for the ensuing year.

*Prescott*, beautiful for situation, favored with a most desirable climate, is seventy-four miles south of the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad, at the terminus of the Prescott and Arizona Central. This is the oldest charge in the mission, and yet it is one of the most difficult to maintain, on account of there being several other denominations represented in the town, thus dividing the ministerial support.

The pastor, C. F. Spray, has done good, faithful work, and has made some progress along all lines. A room has been added to the parsonage, three coats of paint put on the entire building, and the paint purchased for the old church, which was greatly in need of it, and would have been applied had we not on Sunday evening, August 2, met with the sad accident by which we lost by fire the church building, including furniture, organ, and books. We had no insurance, and were owing the Church Extension Society \$525 on the parsonage. So we were apparently in a poor condition to rebuild; but the people responded liberally to our solicitations for aid, and as a result we are able to report a subscription, including cash and cash value of property to be sold, aggregating about \$3,000. The debt of \$525 has been paid, perspective plan No. 141 in Church Extension catalogue adopted, and work of rebuilding actually begun. Notwithstanding this misfortune, the pastor reports all assessments for benevolences met in full. Our services are held in the opera-house, for which we pay \$10 per month. Our congregations are fair, the people are encouraged, and we trust this accident may prove a great blessing to our society in Prescott.

In January work was opened in the town of *Williams*, forty miles west of Flagstaff. Having no missionary funds at my disposal, I was unable to put a man in the field. But Brother Norton, pastor of our church at Flagstaff, kindly consented to preach on Friday evenings once in two weeks, to organize a Sunday-school, and to give the charge whatever pastoral care he could consistently with his other work, until better arrangements could be made. I secured him an annual pass on the railroad, for which thanks are due General Manager D. B. Robinson. A class of twelve members was soon organized, a subscription for a new church cir-

culated, and on my next visit early in May "The Methodist Episcopal Church of Williams" was duly incorporated, plans for the new church adopted, and all necessary arrangements made to begin the work of building. As a result of the untiring efforts of Brother Norton, we have a neat church property well worth \$2,000, on which there is but a small debt. This is a promising field and must have a pastor this year.

*Flagstaff* is in some respects the most desirable charge in the mission. N. F. Norton, pastor, has cared for all the interests of the church in addition to the work above mentioned. Four weeks of special revival services were held, during which about thirty made a start in the Christian life. The parsonage was refurnished, side-walks put down, barn built, church repainted, windows papered, at a cost of \$700, all paid for.

The congregations are large; class and prayer meetings are well attended and spiritual. The first Epworth League of the mission was organized in this church. The pastor's claim was met promptly, and all benevolent assessments raised in full with a handsome surplus. This happy condition of the finances is due largely to the energy of the Ladies' Aid Society, supplemented by a faithful board of stewards.

Sixty miles east is *Winslow*, a town with a population of about four hundred. At this point we organized a class of thirteen members May 5. We also organized a Sunday-school, supplied it with the necessary literature, secured lots for church building, and were, as in the case of Williams, compelled to place this work under the care of Brother Norton, who has visited the town occasionally, added four to the membership, baptized several children, raised \$20 for benevolences, and secured a subscription of more than \$600 toward the erection of a chapel for worship. If our missionary appropriation were large enough, this town, with Holbrook, a point thirty miles east, should be worked as a charge.

Passing from this point to the southern portion of the Territory, entering from New Mexico, our first charge is *Willcox*, N. L. Guthrie, pastor. During this year Brother Guthrie, under the advice of the former superintendent and with the concurrence of Bishop Goodsell, taught the public school—thus enabling him to serve this charge with but little aid from the Missionary Society. On my first visit in November the church building, which is made of adobe, was found to be in a dilapidated condition, and was thought to be unsafe to occupy. Arrangements were immediately made for repairing the building, painting the roof, putting in joists and ceiling, and papering the walls. Total cost of improvements, about \$200. This amount was raised by the pastor and the bills paid. The old debt of about \$300 to the Church Extension Society remains unpaid. But before another year shall have rolled by we hope to have this property free from debt. This is a hard field and not a very hopeful one. Since school term closed the pastor has, under the advice of the superintendent, visited Bowie station and opened up work which promises to strengthen Willcox Circuit. The benevolent assessment is met in full.

*Benson*, a town of about two hundred inhabitants, forty miles south-west of Willcox, has had very poor service this year. In the list of appoint-



ments it is named with Willcox, but it was found impracticable for Brother Guthrie to do the work and keep his position in the public school, so that the services at this point have been very irregular. I have preached there myself as often as possible, and Brother Downs, of Tombstone, has made occasional visits to this point, preaching for the people. The Sunday-school has been kept up. No improvements made on church property. Benson is of sufficient importance to require better service than it has had in the past.

Twenty-eight miles to the south-east is *Tombstone*, the once-famous mining camp. At the beginning of the year it had a population of about one thousand eight hundred. It is estimated that about four hundred people have left the town during the last twelve months. The principal mines being shut down, giving employment to but very few, makes money matters very stringent. Nevertheless, the pastor, F. W. Downs, has kept up his reputation as a money-raiser. He has put about \$500 into church and parsonage improvements and raised \$100 for benevolence, which is more than the apportionment. Until the hot weather set in the congregations were large, and the Sunday-school was the largest in the Territory.

At the last session of this Conference the Rev. A. H. Gunnett was appointed to *Tucson*, where he had already faithfully served our Church three years. At the end of six months the ill-health of his wife, and other conditions over which he had no control, led Brother Gunnett to seek another field of labor; so, with the consent of the superintendent, he went to supply an appointment that was then open in Southern California.

After some unavoidable delay the Rev. C. L. Bovard, of the South-east Indiana Conference, was appointed to Tucson, arriving there April 24, since which time, despite the hot weather that soon began, decided progress has been made along all lines of church work. The people received him kindly, the congregations are growing in numbers, and the social meetings are fairly well attended. The church and parsonage have been insured for three years, and improvements made on the same at an expense of \$100. A goodly number have been added to the church, and every interest carefully conserved. But our work in this town is most difficult for several reasons, to mention which would not remove them. We have a most excellent church property, desirably located, on which there is a debt of about \$900 to the Church Extension Society. An attempt was made to reduce this debt during the early part of the year; but owing to some misunderstandings between the trustees and the former superintendent, it was deemed best to defer the matter until a more opportune time. We hope to inaugurate some plan by which this debt can be lifted in the near future.

About one hundred and fifty miles north of Tucson, in the Pinal Mountains, is *Globe*, famous for its rich copper mines, and never to be forgotten by me because of the rough experience I had in journeying to it. It has a population of about one thousand five hundred, largely American. But, as in almost all mining camps, Sunday is scarcely known as a day of rest—work going on the same as any other day, thus rendering it difficult to

make progress in church work. Ours is the only Protestant church in the town. We have an interesting Sunday-school; a small church membership; congregations very fair on Sunday evenings. The social meetings are poorly attended. The pastor, J. H. Gill, has been very faithful, and has done a good work. The church and parsonage were repaired and improved at a cost of \$600, all paid for. The benevolent causes were properly presented, and collections taken meeting the assessments. The special need of this charge is a sweeping revival, for which we earnestly pray and shall faithfully labor.

*Tempe*, a country village nine miles east of Phoenix, the Territorial capital, was left to be supplied. Through the kindness of Brother Pearson, of Phoenix, I was able to secure his services for Sunday afternoons until I secured a permanent supply in the person of the Rev. C. P. Wilson, of the Southern California Conference. Brother Wilson entered upon his work cheerfully, despite the discouraging circumstances, and early in the year—under the advice of the superintendent—took up a Sunday afternoon appointment in the Watrous school-house, eight miles east of Tempe, since which time he has been preaching three times each Sunday, save a few weeks during the hottest of the weather. This charge, though difficult to maintain at the present, has a hopeful future. Being situated in one of the richest valleys in the world; with an abundant water supply; with a climate and soil capable of producing all kinds of tropical fruits to perfection, it is only a question of a few years until the country round about will be thickly populated. Hence it is of the highest importance that our church be well sustained during these years of severest trial. A debt of more than \$200 has been paid, and some improvements made on the church.

Rev. G. L. Pearson, pastor of our church at Phoenix, has accomplished well the special work that was impressed upon his mind as he entered the charge at the beginning of the year. The congregations have been large, the work harmonious, a goodly number of accessions have been made to the church, and every department of the work has been carefully organized.

The Epworth League in this charge deserves especial mention. Its meetings are largely attended and spiritual. Through its influence we hope to see glorious results during the coming year. The prayer and class meetings have been well attended, in view of the fact that many of our members live at a great distance from the Church. Some improvements have been made on church and parsonage at a cost of about \$200. Improvements on a larger scale were planned, but the flood of last February so damaged the property of our people that it was not advisable to attempt that which would tax them to their utmost under the most favorable circumstances. The benevolent causes have had due attention and the assessments have been more than met. Every interest of the charge has been carefully guarded and the people are hopeful for the future.

*Gila River Circuit*, James A. Crouch, pastor. This is a circuit of magnificent distances, requiring the pastor and his wife to live in their buggy a great deal of the time in order to reach their appointments.

This they have faithfully done, uncomplainingly, and with less than \$250 support from the people. We cannot judge of the work done on this circuit by the statistics. Protracted meetings were held at several points and a number of conversions reported. One of the best love-feasts I attended during the year was at Buckeye, a point on this circuit, where twenty-five or thirty persons testified promptly and intelligently to the power of Jesus to save from sin. At this point all necessary arrangements were made for the erection of a chapel, but the flood to which reference has been made so damaged the country—destroying the ditches, making it impossible to mature the crops—that the church enterprise was indefinitely postponed. Our services are held in school-houses. We cannot afford to desert this field, and yet it will be several years before it will take the form of organized work.

*Clifton* and also *Tonto Basin* are found among the list of appointments to be supplied. While we regard them as worthy fields, their location in relation to other charges is such that it was impossible to supply them without aid from the Missionary Society. Such aid could not be secured.

I have endeavored to make some disposal of our church property at Pinal, a deserted mining camp, but as yet have not succeeded.

The Spanish work at Tucson was put under the care of the Rev. David Alva. It has not had a year of prosperity, many of the members having moved to other points in the Territory during the year—some to Nogales, some to Solomonville, and others to Morensia. At Solomonville we have seventeen members who should have some pastoral care. The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is caring for the Spanish work at Nogales, and I do not think it advisable for us to enter. At Tucson there should be a good live man, willing to teach five days during the week and preach on Sunday. Without this kind of service we can hope for but very little, if any, success where the opposition from Romanism is so determined and strong.

Had we the money at our disposal, the Macedonian cry that comes from anxious hearts in the following promising fields should be answered promptly by sending to each charge a minister to preach the glorious Gospel of Jesus Christ to the perishing multitudes: Casa Grande and Florence, Clifton and Solomonville, Upper and Lower Verde, Tonto Basin, Prescott Circuit, consisting of Williamson Valley, Kirkland Valley, Skull Valley, and People's Valley; and also Congress, a mining camp of about three hundred people. With the present appropriation it will be impracticable for us to supply regularly any of these fields. Hence I hope our presiding bishop will make a strong plea before the General Committee for a largely increased appropriation to this mission.

The foregoing review of the work done by the brethren in their respective fields is to me encouraging. Had we seen more souls converted our fondest hopes would have been realized.

Special revival services, in which it was my privilege to assist the pastors, were held with encouraging results in several charges. Much emphasis has been given to the importance of class and prayer meetings;

and while the average attendance has somewhat increased, there is yet vast room for improvement along this line.

I have encouraged the organizing of our young people into Epworth Leagues. As yet we have but two, one at Falstaff and the other at Phœnix. Would that it were possible to organize a League in every charge, that the young people might be trained in the distinctive doctrines of Methodism, and be led out into the wider and richer fields of Christian experience.

I regret to find so many hinderances to the work of organizing the children into classes. We hope the day will speedily come when this department of our work, which I regard as second to none other, shall be thoroughly organized and successfully carried on.

It has been my pleasure to attend one or more sessions of almost every Methodist Episcopal Sunday-school within the bounds of the Territory, and to address the same. Our schools have done well. The statistics show nine hundred and fifty-two scholars, which is an increase of three hundred and fifty-five. Several new schools have been organized, and our literature is universally used.

We show an increase over last year on all collections for benevolences aggregating more than \$300; and while we have gone far in excess of—in fact, have almost quadrupled—our *pro rata* share of the one million and a quarter for missions, yet we have failed to reach the amount asked of us by the General Committee. But this fact does not discourage us as long as we head the list of Conferences in our missionary contributions *per capita*; and we feel that we have done our duty faithfully in the fear of God. Easter Sunday was quite generally observed as Children's Missionary Day, and the people were instructed as far as practicable upon the great interests of the Church.

Every pastor, save one, has been faithful to the work assigned him at the last Conference. A more devoted and loyal and self-sacrificing body of men it will be difficult to find.

A kind providence has sheltered the homes of the pastors from the entrance of death; and, with one exception, the health of our preachers has been good, so that they have been able to do work for the Master every week.

Personally, I have faithfully performed the duties of my office to the best of my ability. It is superfluous for me to say that the office of superintendent of this mission is no sinecure. It is full of cares, solitudes, anxieties, labors, and responsibilities. It is not necessary to describe fully or in detail my travels. It is sufficient to say that I have visited almost every charge four times during the year, holding Quarterly Meetings and Quarterly Conferences, assisted in special revival efforts in four of the charges, and visited many new fields with a view to opening up work as soon as practicable. I have done all that I could to aid the brethren in their work. They have had my prayers and sympathy, and I have been strengthened by their confidence and forbearance. May God breathe upon us a wonderful baptism of his Holy Spirit as a special anointing for the work of the ensuing year!



## BLACK HILLS.

Commenced in 1878.

Organized as a Mission Conference in 1888.

UNDER SUPERVISION OF BISHOP MERRILL.

### MISSIONARIES.

REV. J. B. CARNS, *Superintendent* (P.-O., Rapid City, S. Dak.).

*Central City*, supplied by Richard Glidden. *Deadwood*, E. E. Clough. *Creston*, supplied by W. R. Peters. *Custer*, D. W. Tracey. *Edmont*, to be supplied. *Hill City and Hermosa*, G. C. Ulmer. *Hot Springs*, J. W. Hancher. *Hot Springs Circuit*, R. L. Robinson. *Lead City*, H. A. James. *Minnesela*, W. D. Atwater. *Oelrichs and Cascade*, John Lutas. *Piedmont*, supplied by J. M. Gardner. *Rapid City*, J. O. Dobson. *Spearfish*, F. J. Follansbee. *Sturgis*, William Shambaugh. *Whitewood and Terraville*, C. E. Campbell. *Nashville*, supplied by James Tutty.

J. W. Hancher, President, and E. E. Lymer and O. K. Maynard, Professors in Black Hills College.

The year just closed has been one of hard work, trial, and privation. The valley portions of our mission suffered from drought; then came Indian wars and rumors of wars. This condition of things was followed by a stringency of times twenty-five per cent. above that of last year. All this, added to the usual difficulties of a frontier country, has furnished an ample field for the development of patience in toiling for the Master. We lost from the causes noted at least one hundred members, yet by the blessing of God, faithful preachers, and a generous people, we report advancement.

The work as planned by Bishop Merrill we note as follows:

*Central City* is a mining town of one thousand. Has a church and parsonage out of debt. Small membership and a good Sunday-school. Rev. Richard Glidden, a local preacher, is in charge. He could command a large salary as foreman in some of our mines, but he has cheerfully exchanged a large for a small salary. He has already gained the affections of his people, and turned their minds in the right direction.

*Creston*. A large circuit located in an agricultural and grazing country. Has one church; local indebtedness, about \$300. This charge suffered much from the Indian scare. Part of the army was located here for six months. For a number of months there was not one woman to be found within half the territory of this circuit. Rev. W. R. Peters, a bright young man, is doing a grand work on this charge.

*Custer*. This place is the county seat of Custer County. Church and parsonage out of debt. Has enjoyed a year of prosperity. Church refitted; well dug; benevolences all full. Rev. D. W. Tracey, though a new man in charge, is both popular and capable.

*Deadwood* has been regarded as the commercial city of the North Hills. It is largely a supply town for outlying camps. With its smelting and chlor-

ination works, it impresses a visitor as a growing city of industry. Here we have a good brick church and a comfortable parsonage. Our church is busy paying off an old church debt. Rev. E. E. Clough, a recent transfer from Yankton, has proven himself "a workman that needeth not be ashamed." He is president of the Board of Control of the Soldiers' Home of the two Dakotas. He has already increased his congregations and added twelve to his membership.

*Edgmont* is a railroad town, the end of the Black Hills Division of the Burlington and Missouri Railroad. For lack of missionary money we could not locate a preacher in that region. Our Hot Springs Circuit pastor has added it to his work for the present, and preaches there occasionally.

*Hill City and Hermosa.* Hill City was formerly a part of the Custer charge. It is the tin center of America. A new church was projected and inclosed by Conference. The growth and importance of the town, with a membership of fifty, caused the bishop to locate a pastor here, and for lack of missionary money he joined with it Hermosa charge, with its four or five points, twenty-eight miles away, and that over a rough and mountainous country. Some weeks since the pastor on one of his trips was overtaken by night and lost. He tied up his horses, commended himself to God, and put up for the night. A light in a cabin window in the distance flashed on his sight. After much difficulty, over caverns and rocks, at last he reached a bachelor's cabin. A frontier preacher knows how to appreciate "a light in the window." Recently he and his wife wrote me, requesting that a preacher be secured for either Hermosa or Hill City, and to give that preacher all the missionary money. Though we admired their spirit, yet we know, with railroad fare at five cents per mile, interest from twelve to twenty-four per cent., and house rent in about the same proportion, as well as the expenses of living, that the pastor will not come out at the end of the year one dollar ahead. Our church there will soon be completed. A neat church was completed at Hermosa under the labors of Rev. H. A. James.

*Hot Springs*, the county seat of Fall River County, is noted throughout the North-west. Contains hot springs, a specific cure for rheumatism. Has already become a great sanitarium. Contains the Soldiers' Home and the Black Hills College. Rev. H. D. Smith has recently been transferred East. Did a good work for Methodism. He found thirty members, and left one hundred and nine. Benevolences all full. Rev. J. W. Hancher, President of Black Hills College, supplies this pulpit temporarily.

*Hot Springs Circuit.* A large circuit. Rev. R. L. Robinson, Ph.M., a recent transfer from west Nebraska, is a good preacher, and faithful in every respect. His work is growing.

*Lead City*, H. A. James, pastor. Lead City is a Home Stake mining town, the largest town in the Hills. We have a church valued at \$2,000, with \$100 debt to the Church Extension Society. The pastor is a good preacher and a wise administrator. We are looking for growth, even in that very difficult field.

*Minnesela*, county seat of Butte County, is a charge of four preaching-

places, including Belle Fourche, a new town at the terminus of the Fremont, Elkhorn, and Missouri Valley Railroad, which is the leading cattle shipping point in this part of the county. A class has been organized here. Water-power and irrigation advantages make this a valuable region. We have a church and parsonage at Minnesela, with about \$190 Church Extension debt, which is being provided for. Rev. W. D. Atwater, pastor.

*Nashville Circuit* is located in one of our finest valleys seventy miles from the railroad. It consists of several preaching-places. The Indian uprising defeated our church building last year. But with the opening of spring it will be pushed. Rev. James Tutty supplies this charge. The outlook is encouraging.

*Oelrichs and Cascade.* At Oelrichs we have a church costing \$2,200. A decline and depression for two years, as well as depletion in members, has settled on this town and the region about it, growing out of drought and Indian trouble. Our subscription for local indebtedness on the new church, \$450, was largely a loss to us in view of the causes referred to. Our church has been unable even to pay the Church Extension interest. Rev. John Lutas, pastor, went to work, and the Lord has wonderfully blessed his work. A gracious revival visited his charge, and the people re-pledged by subscription the local debt. Some twenty have been added to the church since Conference. Cascade is a new town, said to contain the largest medical springs in the world. Its waters cure rheumatism, scrofula, and kindred diseases. During the year a class has been organized. We preach in a hall, but expect to build a church in the spring. This charge is doing well.

*Piedmont* is a rural circuit of four preaching-places, supplied by Rev. J. M. Gardner. We have a church at Tilford, and are building one at Piedmont.

*Rapid City*, Rev. J. O. Dobson, pastor. Methodism has had a good year. The parsonage was enlarged and improved, to the amount of \$640. Valuable improvements have been made in the church. Valuation of church property, \$9,000; debt, \$800. Benevolences all full, and salaries all paid. Conversions, nineteen; membership, one hundred and eleven. Rapid City is one of our best towns, and this charge one of our most desirable.

*Spearfish*, F. J. Follansbee, pastor. We have a new church and good parsonage; small membership, but a good hold on the young people. Spearfish contains the State normal school. The outlook for this charge is good. The pastor is doing faithful work.

*Sturgis*, William Shambaugh, pastor. This is a hard field. We have a good church and parsonage, small membership, good Sunday-school, full house on Sunday nights. The Gospel is bearing fruit in Sturgis.

*Whitewood and Terraville*, Rev. E. C. Campbell, pastor. We have two good churches. Small debt on the Whitewood church. Terraville is a Home Stake mining town of one thousand. Brother Campbell is a recent transfer from western Nebraska. Whitewood has been visited with

a glorious revival. We have ten chapters of Epworth League workers. Rev J. O. Dobson is the Conference Epworth League Secretary. Sunday-school interests are being vigorously pushed.

*Black Hills College* has entered on its second year of work with a faculty of six and an enrollment of fifty-four students. The results of the first year have been most gratifying. A cottage for the president has been erected at a cost of \$2,500. A successful campaign was planned and worked by the president and trustees, which resulted in securing an endowment of \$50,000, \$48,950 bearing 6 per cent., \$1,050 non-productive. We need a second \$50,000 endowment to make us comfortable.

Campus and buildings.....	\$54,000.00
Endowment.....	50,000.00
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	\$104,000.00
Indebtedness unprovided for.....	9,593.00
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Methodist Episcopal Church college property.....	\$94,407.00

Our college success is phenomenal, all things considered. Much of the credit is due our president for his persistent and indefatigable efforts. During the year we have lost some valuable workers by transfer, Rev. A. R. Julian, Rev. G. P. Snedaker, Rev. H. D. Smith; and Rev. James Williams took a supernumerary relation, and has located on the Pacific coast in quest of health for his wife. Their places have been filled by Revs. E. E. Clough, E. C. Campbell, O. K. Maynard, W. R. Robinson, and W. R. Peters, leaving one place (Hot Springs) vacant.

Four years ago we had 10 charges, now 17; then employed 11 preachers, now 21; then 443 membership (including Sundance, Wyo.), now 920; then 8 churches, now 17; then 6 parsonages, now 9; then church property \$29,475, now \$142,417.29; then we contributed for missions \$236, now \$750; then for local support \$4,575, now \$7,850; then conversions 40, now 150; then no school, now a college.

We shall memorialize the General Conference for an enabling act.

I have had excellent health, plenty of work, kindness from the brethren, encouragement from the people, and abundant blessings from the Head of the Church. Have not been as efficient as I could desire, but have given a willing and happy service to God's vineyard.

#### MISSIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS.

Creston.....	\$250	Lead City.....	\$300	Sturgis.....	\$300
Central City.....	200	Minneapolis.....	250	Whitewood and Terraville.....	200
Custer.....	240	Nashville.....	250	Black Hills College.....	786
Deadwood.....	250	Oelrichs and Cascade.....	300	Superintendent.....	925
Hermosa and Hill City...	350	Piedmont.....	250	Missions, 18; money, \$5,951.	
Hot Springs.....	250	Rapid City.....	250		
" " Circuit.....	250	Spearfish.....	400		



# STATISTICS OF BLACK HILLS MISSION.

CIRCUIT OR STATION.	Members.	Probationers.	Adherents.	Average Attendance on Sunday Worship	Conversions during Year.	Adults Baptized.	Children Baptized.	No. of Teachers in High-schools.	No. of Pupils.	No. of Sabbath-schools.	No. of Sabbath Scholars.	No. of Churches and Chapels.	Estimated Value of Churches and Chapels.	No. of Halls and other rented places of worship.	No. of "Homes," or "Parsonages,"	Estimated Value of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Value of Orphanages, Schools, Hospitals, Book Rooms.	Debt on Real Estate.	Collected for Missionary Society.	Collected for other Benevolent Societies.	Collected for Self-support.	Collected for Church Building and Repairing.	
Central.....	20	2	200	80	1	1	10	..	..	1	80	1	\$2,000	..	1	\$850	..	..	\$250	\$29	\$8	\$570	..
Creston.....	50	10	200	35	..	..	..	..	..	2	65	1	1,400	..	1	700	..	..	\$250	100	45	538	\$600
Custer.....	70	10	300	80	..	2	2	..	..	2	94	1	2,000	..	1	1,000	..	..	2,000	45	15	880	208
Deadwood.....	88	16	400	50	..	..	..	..	..	1	50	1	8,000	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Edgmont.....	8	..	100	25	..	..	..	..	..	4	125	2	3,200	..	..	13,000	..	1,100	70	24	838	1,934	
Hill City and Hermosa.....	52	20	300	75	10	..	..	..	..	1	114	1	3,200	..	..	..	..	1,300	100	68	950	..	
Hot Springs.....	96	11	500	100	7	..	..	..	..	3	65	1	8,200	..	..	..	..	100	5	4	929	50	
Hot Springs Circuit.....	30	10	200	25	1	..	..	..	..	1	100	1	2,000	..	..	..	..	155	8	11	525	50	
Lead City.....	40	2	200	25	10	6	..	..	..	1	50	1	1,500	..	..	..	..	100	85	11	229	..	
Minneapolis.....	20	14	100	30	..	..	..	..	..	2	45	1	2,000	..	..	..	..	100	35	11	229	..	
Nashville.....	20	5	75	20	..	..	..	..	..	2	50	1	2,000	..	..	..	..	155	8	14	115	..	
Oelrichs and Cascade.....	35	11	150	75	..	2	2	..	..	3	94	2	2,000	..	..	..	..	100	8	10	166	..	
Piedmont.....	36	8	100	25	..	..	..	..	..	3	94	2	2,000	..	..	..	..	258	5	1	90	450	
Rapid City.....	96	15	400	100	8	4	4	..	..	1	138	1	6,000	..	..	2,600	..	1,000	153	65	1,185	800	
Spearsfish.....	31	13	150	75	6	1	1	..	..	3	91	1	3,800	..	..	1,000	..	700	30	13	301	1,400	
Sturgis.....	37	5	150	60	7	..	..	..	..	1	110	1	3,500	..	..	200	..	100	20	13	666	..	
Whitehead and Terravill.....	70	14	400	60	5	6	6	..	6	2	80	2	3,500	..	..	2,500 + \$50,000	\$50,000	275	29	10	730	50	
Black Hills College.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	#1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Total.....	749	166	3,925	890	54	16	25	6	54	30	1,351	17	\$44,060	..	10	\$10,450	\$50,000	\$7,538	\$640	\$294	\$7,463	\$4,992	
Last year .....	689	193	..	..	..	84	29	..	..	25	1,169	14	37,900	..	8	7,025	..	6,961	751	404	8,829	5,500	

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## INDIAN MISSION.

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UNDER SUPERVISION OF BISHOP NEWMAN.

REV. B. C. SWARTS, *Superintendent*. (P.-O., Arkansas City, Kan.)

Superintendent Swarts reports as follows :

The growth of this work the past year has been very gratifying. The number of missions in the Conference was one hundred and five at the close of the session just held, which are superintended by six presiding elders. There are now a little over three thousand members and probationers in the Conference.

There has been a steady increase in the interest manifest in our Sunday-schools and Epworth Leagues.

New fields are opening up in every part of this territory, demanding an increase in the number of our pastors.

The increased appropriation to our Conference of \$4,000 this year will not materially increase the amount per member to our pastors, so that they are yet on salaries so small that it will be impossible for them to "pull through" the year without help from outside sources. The presiding elders must necessarily feel this financial pressure more than others, because most of their salaries will be required to pay their traveling expenses.

The number of churches and parsonages has been largely increased, and the value of our church property consequently augmented.

None of our preachers have died during the year, and only one home has been visited by death. Brother Cargay's infant son was taken home soon after last session of Conference.

The territory we are called upon to occupy has been considerably enlarged by the opening for settlement of the Sac and Fox, Iowa, and Pottawattomie reservations, on the eastern border of Oklahoma Territory. Here is room for ten new charges which would embrace one hundred and eighty square miles each.

The prospect for the early opening of the Cherokee Outlet, the Cheyenne and Arapahoe and the Kickapoo reservations, will demand within the coming year seventy-five additional charges. An increase in the number of charges within the territory of the five civilized tribes will be demanded, requiring at least ten more pastors.

Within the present Conference year we shall need at least ninety-five more pastoral charges than we now have. It will require at least \$10,000 from the Contingent Fund to give us a small start in this new work.

Our Conference by vote, at the session just closed, resolved to ask the coming General Conference to grant us the "usual enabling act," author-

izing us to organize into one or more Annual Conferences during the next quadrennium.

Before the meeting of the General Conference of 1896 it is possible that we shall have four Annual Conferences, with three hundred and fifty preachers and a membership of from fifteen to twenty thousand. Very much will depend upon the amount of help we can get from the Missionary Society; but meantime we shall do our utmost to build up the cause of Christ as represented by the Methodist Episcopal Church in this most wonderful field. No one not conversant with the character of this country can have the least conception of its possibilities. It has a salubrious climate, believed to be especially adapted to the relief of catarrhal and pulmonary affections; a rich soil, producing the most diversified crops—wheat, corn, oats, tobacco, cotton, peas, beans, turnips, sweet and Irish potatoes, with all kinds of garden vegetables; immense forests of all kinds of timber; vast coal fields of finest bituminous coal; inexhaustible supplies of iron ore, etc.

The indications are that it will prove to be unexcelled as a fruit-growing country, and it has already proven to be one of the finest grazing countries west of the Mississippi River.

People by thousands are pouring into this country from all quarters, demanding an increase of religious privileges, and hence of pastors. We need to-day from thirty to fifty young men of brains and culture, and piety and devotion, whose hearts are full of God's love and a love for the souls of men; men baptized with the Holy Ghost, and who are willing to make sacrifices for Christ and his Church; men who are willing to help make the country Methodist; men like Ruter and Biglow and Finley, like Akers and Phelps and Richard Haney, and other Western men; men like a host of your Eastern men whose names are household words among you. O, for a mighty revival of a laudable ambition, such as the early fathers had, to save men, by spreading Methodism over this Western country—an ambition to get out and do great things for God and the Church! Amen.

#### MISSIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS.

Superintendent.....	\$850	Talequah .....	\$216	Oklahoma City .....	\$160
Afton .....	150	Tulsa .....	150	Oklahoma Circuit.....	100
Bartlesville .....	84	Wyandotte .....	150	Reno City or Darlington	100
Big Creek .....	210	Alfred .....	126	Stillwater .....	140
Broken Arrow .....	32	Crescent City .....	126	Lexington .....	120
Cameron .....	200	Edmond .....	168	South McAllister .....	50
Catoosa .....	150	El Reno .....	150	Hartshorn .....	50
Chilzie .....	168	Frisco .....	140	Nail .....	87
Cawlington .....	84	Guthrie, 1st Church .....	160	Oak Lodge .....	80
Island Ford .....	50	" 2d " .....	84	Red Oak .....	100
Pawhuska .....	60	Guthrie Circuit .....	100	Ardmore, 1st Church...	100
Pawnee .....	140	Kingfisher .....	160	" 2d " .....	50
Poteau .....	84	Lawrie .....	64	Perkins .....	50
Purcell, 1st Church .....	180	Lincoln .....	100	Missions, 45; money, \$5,905.	
" 2d " .....	84	Moore .....	100		
Salt Creek .....	40	Norman .....	168		

## STATISTICS OF INDIAN MISSION.

CIRCUIT OR STATION.	Missions.	Missionaries.	Members.	Probationers.	Adherents.	Average Attendance on Sunday Worship.	Conversions during Year.	Adults Baptized.	Children Baptized.	No. of Sabbath-schools.	No. of Sabbath Scholars.	No. of Churches and Chapels.	Estimated Value of Churches and Chapels.	No. Parsonages. or "Homes."	Estimated Value of Par- sonages, or "Homes."	Collected for Missionary Society.	Collected for other Be- nevolent Societies and Church Extension.	Collected for Self-sup- port.
Cherokee District	14	15	661	131	6,000	1,000	100	38	28	15	375	10	\$4,400	3	\$900	\$15	\$25 00	\$311
Choctaw District.	23	20	454	96	500	1,500	125	58	24	14	300	4	3,600	2	508	68	34 50	345
North Oklahoma District.....	16	16	709	100	....	....	110	81	23	20	950	5	8,000	3	700	50	103 00	1,566
South Oklahoma District.....	19	18	826	64	....	....	..	26	22	18	899	9	12,600	5	2,200	44	38 00	1,587
Presiding Elders' Districts.....	4	4	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	....	..	....	..	....	..	..	....
Total.....	75	73	2,641	391	6,500	2,500	335	203	97	67	2,524	28	28,600	13	4,308	177	200 50	2,809
Last year.....	..	..	2,309	1,143	11,223	6,785	454	120	61	51	2,151	28	17,850	..	5,150	96	430 00	2,910

## NEVADA.

Organized in 1864.

UNDER SUPERVISION OF BISHOP VINCENT.

Rev. E. W. VAN DEVENTER, D.D., *Superintendent*, Reno, Nev.

## APPOINTMENTS.

*Austin, Nev.*, W. Ackroyd; *Bishop, Cal.*, W. W. Kendall; *Bodie and Bridgeport, Cal.*, T. Loyd Bradley; *Carson, Nev.*, C. L. Logan; *Cedarville, Cal.*, H. Pearce; *Coleville, Cal.*, G. B. Hinkle; *Eureka Mills and Johnsville, Cal.*, to be supplied; *Fall River, Cal.*, Theodore Taylor; *Gold Hill and Dayton, Nev.*, E. F. Brown; *Greenville, Cal.*, S. W. Albone; *Independence, Cal.*, H. J. Winsor; *Lake Tahoe and Genoa, Nev.*, T. E. Sisson; *Lovelocks, Nev.*, M. V. Briggs; *Loyalton, Cal.*, F. R. Winsor; *Mason Valley, Nev.*, C. H. Gardner; *Quincy, Cal.*, James Whitaker; *Reno, Nev.*, F. V. Fisher; *Ruby Hill and Eureka, Nev.*, supplied by A. Dunstan and Joseph Arthur; *Susanville and Long Valley, Cal.*, J. M. Wilson; *Truckee, Cal.*, Joseph Johns; *Tuscarora, Nev.*, J. R. Hammond; *Virginia, Nev.*, E. H. Parkinson; *White Pine, Nev.*, to be supplied; *Winnemucca and Paradise Valley, Nev.*, James H. N. Williams.

Rev. F. V. Fisher resigned immediately after he returned to Reno, and Rev. J. A. Bready was appointed to take charge of the work.

Financial Agent of Inyo Academy, Bishop, Cal., and member of Bishop Quarterly Conference, G. W. DeLaMatyr.

To report to their respective Conferences, B. F. Van Deventer, T. Leak.

Rev. Dr. E. W. Van Deventer, Superintendent, reports:

Another year has gone. The books are closed. The Lord has dealt kindly with his people. Our hearts and our works are before him. Prog-



ress has been made; the revival spirit is with us. Churches are quickened, comforted, hopeful, and workful. Sinners are converted to God, the Church, and a right life. All praise to Jesus Christ. "He leadeth us." Our ministers, with few exceptions, have enjoyed good health, and acquitted themselves like men. My own work has been about the same as last year. I have given supervisory attention to the entire field, visiting all the appointments but one twice. *La grippe*, bad roads, and stormy weather prevented me from going to Tuscarora the second time. I have averaged over four sermons and lectures per week, and traveled over seven thousand miles. My wife has traveled with me in our buggy about two thousand miles, speaking and addressing Sunday-schools and day-schools whenever there was an opportunity. "Our Father" has cared for us, and we have no evil tidings to report.

#### SCHOOL EXTENSION.

We are planning and working for a number of schools of academic grade. The hour is come; we must use it or lose it. If suitable buildings cannot be secured, then we must resort to our churches, and man them with men who can teach as well as preach. Our young people are surrounded with so many influences adverse to godliness that they go and grow away from us. Our churches reach them only in a limited way. The few who are ambitious for an education higher than that offered by the public schools are compelled to go abroad for it. Then they are soon lost to our work in personal contact and influence. Our church schools are a success wherever tried. Through them the young people get acquainted with the Church, appreciate its advantages, lose their shyness, and learn to love its communion and fellowship, and the Church will always thrive on the young blood and brain of the land. We should have at least six or seven more schools in the next year or two.

Susanville, Cedarville, Reno, Carson, Mason Valley, Lovelocks, and Winnemucca are inviting fields for educational work and workers.

*Susanville* commands a scope of country picturesque in landscape, rich in resources, and from which there goes out each year fifteen or twenty thousand dollars for higher education. Would it not be a wise and paying investment to educate the young people at home?

*Cedarville*, located in Surprise Valley, is unsurpassed in fertility of soil, and fine in natural scenery. The people are intelligent and cultivated. But few, however, have the means to send their children away from home for a better education. A school should be opened there at once.

*Reno* is the center of population and the world, so far as our work in the Nevada Mission is concerned. Methodism is stronger here, by far, than anywhere else in the field, but in comparison with what it should be, and might be, it is weak and non-progressive. Why? Because it lacks the inspiration and forcefulness which always comes with a denominational school. It is true we have here the State University, Bishop Whitaker's school for girls, Roman Catholic college, and good public schools; and this is one of the strongest reasons why we should have a Methodist

school. Education, by a very natural law, goes to the front and remains there in ever-increasing and commanding influence. If we fail to keep up with the march of education, by the same law we will retire to the rear ranks and follow, because too weak to lead. Here we have territory, young people, and resources ample to build up a well graded school.

*Carson City*, the capital of the State, has both State and national buildings. There is no more beautiful and healthy location on the coast. Here the sages and philosophers of Nevada and California politics have their temporary homes. The wise men of the State assemble, fortunately, once in two years, and make and unmake the laws by which the young men will be largely influenced for the right or wrong in public life. In this center of far-reaching influences there is no school but the public school. If the noble founders of a high culture still live in our memories as worthy of imitation, then let us make heroic efforts to build an academy in this desirable locality. Such a school would put its impress upon legislation, and consequently upon the moral character of the whole State. A gentleman residing in the capital city, a well-to-do merchant, and large landholder as well, offers to donate forty acres of land near the town of Genoa for a denominational school of higher education. This is certainly worthy of our consideration.

*Mason Valley* has the wealth of agriculture. Some wealthy families reside within its bounds. A small school would be an advantage to the whole valley, and greatly strengthen the work of the Church.

*Lovelocks* is located in one of the most promising valleys in Nevada, on the line of the Central Pacific Railroad. A number of young people would be glad to attend school here, though it should open in the church.

*Winnemucca* is on the Central Pacific Railroad, the county seat of Humboldt County. There will be no lack of pupils here. A large range of country is tributary. The people will hail such a movement with delight, and give it a most cordial support. I hope, at this session of Conference, there will be a committee appointed clothed with authority to secure suitable locations for schools and funds to aid in operating them. If our Missionary Board could see its way clear to appropriate \$10,000 for educational work in the Nevada Mission, in my judgment that amount of money could not be used to better advantage. We have the foundation of a mighty empire. We must build with wisdom and knowledge, or else its unstable walls will crumble into ruin. The next few years will witness great changes. We can hear the tramp of the coming millions. We must plan largely, and provide for their moral and religious welfare. But some one may ask, "Would it not be better to build up one strong, vigorous school, rather than several weak ones?" No! for the simple reason that at present it is an impossibility. The different localities are so widely separated by desert wastes and mountain ranges that a community interest extending over any great portion of the field is out of the question. New York and San Francisco are not so widely separated as are Tuscarora and Cedarville. In the years to come these small schools will be feeders of

some great central university, but not until railroads have annihilated the magnificent distances which now separate the different stations.

Our Chautauqua Assembly work is progressing nicely under the earnest and competent leadership of its secretary. Lake Tahoe is destined to be the popular resort of the coast.

The school at *Bishop Creek* is going right on in transforming the desert into a charming and fruitful garden. It is doing a grand work, and richly deserves the hearty support of all the people.

#### THE CHURCHES.

*Austin* has been served acceptably, and with a degree of success, by Rev. William Ackroyd, a good student and faithful pastor. The people, though sorely pressed financially, have been generous with their pastor. He has been well supported.

*Bishop.* Rev. Edward McEvers was appointed to this work; subsequently transferred by Bishop Vincent to the Columbia River Conference, and stationed at Goldendale. Brother G. W. DeLaMatyr kindly supplied until Rev. W. W. Kendall, a member of the Kansas Conference, was secured, which was about the 1st of December. Brother Kendall went to work earnestly, and a revival followed, which resulted in strengthening the church with several conversions and accessions. Brother Kendall is a good preacher, and the work in Bishop is encouraging.

*Bodie* has had the services of the Rev. S. W. Albone for two years. The Gospel has been preached, and the Sunday-school maintained. Brother Albone has done what he could. This is a difficult field of toil, and returns have always been meager.

*Carson.* Rev. C. L. Logan has been the pastor for two years. While the church has not been quickened with the revival spirit, nor strengthened with accessions in any great measure, yet some mercy drops have been enjoyed. The church and parsonage property have been improved.

*Cedarville.* Rev. Henry Pearce came to this work directly from our Boston School of Theology. With courage and zeal he went about his Master's business. The people crowded the church. Many of them were converted. The church has been built up in members and spiritual power. Brother Pearce is a success.

*Coleville* was supplied, immediately after Conference, by Rev. T. E. Tippet, a local preacher. For awhile Brother Tippet did well, but soon rumors of his past life were circulated. He did not have the disposition to face them, and immediately left the work and the country, so far as I know. At the last Quarterly Conference his license was not renewed. After some delay, Rev. T. Lloyd Bradley, from Oklahoma Territory, was secured, and took charge of this work. Brother Bradley is a young man, quite youthful in appearance, but very earnest and faithful in his work. He has done well. There have been conversions and accessions, and the people are now generally hopeful.

*Eureka and Ruby Hill* have been well cared for by the faithful and devoted services of Rev. A. Dunstan and Rev. Joseph Arthur, local preach-

ers. These brethren are good and faithful stewards of the grace of God. The work prospers. The church building has been repaired at considerable expense. All the services are spiritual.

*Fall River* has been supplied by Rev. E. F. Brown, a local preacher. Brother Brown has done well, both for himself and the people. He succeeded in persuading a Miss Eva Kemp, one of Fall River's most charming young ladies, to share with him the fortunes and misfortunes of a minister's life. At Fall River Mills a church edifice has been erected, after plan No. 19 in Church Extension catalogue, 22x36; cost, about \$1,200. This church is a credit to the people, and an evidence of the industry and popularity of the pastor. Brother Brown will knock at the door of this Conference for admission into the traveling connection.

*Eureka Mills and Johnsville* have been supplied by a number of local preachers. The superintendent of the mining company looks carefully after the interests of the church, and his efforts are most cordially supported by the preachers and people. This charge gives to missions this year \$275. These earnest and warm-hearted Christians will certainly be well rewarded for their liberal contributions to the Lord's cause.

*Genoa.* I supplied this charge with Rev. Henry Johnson, but he remained only a short time. Further on in the year it has been served by Rev. James H. N. Williams. Brother Williams has worked faithfully, and succeeded well. Genoa will yet be to the front in church work.

*Gold Hill and Dayton.* Rev. T. Leak was appointed to this work by Bishop Vincent. After accepting the first quarter's missionary money, and going upon the work and preaching two or three times, he deliberately left it, without notifying either the bishop or superintendent, or asking their consent. It is high time that such conduct upon the part of a minister should receive merited attention. Brother Edward Clark, a local preacher, has supplied; he worked hard, but little has been accomplished. Here is a charge with great possibilities.

*Greenville.* Rev. Joseph Johns has been the faithful pastor of this charge for nearly three years. The work has prospered under his pastorate. Financially, Brother Johns has had a hard time; a large family, and but little money. The people have done what they thought they could. Brother Johns is worthy of a better support.

*Independence.* Rev. Henry Winsor has served this charge. He came to the work directly from England, adapted himself to the new order of things, and has succeeded well. Brother Winsor is a good preacher and faithful pastor, and the work moves right on under his religious administration.

*Lakeview and Goose Lake.* Rev. James H. N. Williams was appointed to this charge, and served it with great acceptability for some months, when it was learned that the Oregon Conference—in the bounds of which this work was located—had assumed control of it, and appointed J. R. Hammond to take charge of it. Brother Hammond had been previously appointed to work in our mission, and as it would be a great inconvenience to move again, so soon and so far, a compromise was effected by which



the work could be supplied under the direction of the presiding elder of the Grant Pass District. So Brother Williams was brought to Reno to supply during the illness and absence of the pastor, and Rev. Theodore Taylor, a local preacher, was secured to supply Lakeview and Goose Lake. Brother Taylor was recommended to this Conference as a suitable person for the traveling connection by the Fourth Quarterly Conference of the Cedarville charge. He is a devoted brother, and will doubtless do a good work.

*Lovelocks* has had for its pastor, the past two years, Rev. G. B. Hinkle, the veteran pastor of the mission. Brother Hinkle has looked after the interests of the work, and will give a favorable report of his charge. Brother Hinkle was brought quite low with *la grippe*, but the Lord raised him up, and he is now ready for work.

*Loyalton.* Rev. Fred. R. Winsor has been the pastor for the past two years. Brother Winsor has done a good work for God and the Church in Sierra Valley. The people greatly appreciate his faithful services.

*Mason Valley*, C. H. Gardner, pastor. Brother Gardner has earned success, and enjoys it. The work in Mason Valley grows better each year. Soon after Conference Brother and Sister Gardner were called upon to part with their dear little Ruth. This was a great affliction, but was borne with Christian resignation.

*Winnemucca and Paradise Valley.* Rev. B. F. VanDeventer, pastor. This has been a hard year for this work financially. A number of the leading families, who were liberal in their contributions to the church, moved away early in the Conference year. Brother VanDeventer has been the pastor of this work for two years, working hard and suffering much from illness; yet good has been done; sinners have found the Saviour. The church property has been improved.

*Quincy*, Rev. James Whitaker, pastor. The church is now in a good condition. Brother Whitaker is deservedly popular. On July 19, in the church which he had served two years, and where Miss Drew had grown up to womanhood in the Sunday-school and church, Rev. James Whitaker and Miss Laura Drew were pronounced husband and wife. Many were the congratulations.

*Reno*, Rev. Fred. V. Fisher, pastor. One year ago Brother Fisher was appointed to this work by Bishop Vincent. He came to us in delicate health. It was soon apparent that he could not stand our rigorous climate. In December he broke down, and the church gave him a vacation of three months. During his absence the church was supplied by Rev. James H. N. Williams. Brother Williams gave good satisfaction. First of March Brother Fisher returned, and continued through the year. Brother Fisher is an active young man, a good preacher, and understands well the work of the church. The debt carried over from last year—\$600—has been paid. The assessments will all be met.

*Susanville and Long Valley* have been served by Rev. J. M. Wilson, a member of the Kansas Conference. Brother Wilson is a popular preacher and pastor. Large crowds of people have been drawn to the church, and

the Gospel faithfully preached to them. Susanville is getting to be a church-going people. This mountain village, giving such cordial entertainment to our Annual Conference, is the place where we hope soon to establish a fine school. The church is prospering.

*Truckee*, Rev. T. E. Sisson, pastor. The Gospel has been preached, and a fine parsonage has been built. Brother Sisson has been the pastor for one year. The Chautauqua work is too much to carry in connection with the work of the church. No one realizes this more keenly than does Brother Sisson. If arrangements could be made by which some one could be set apart to the Chautauqua work exclusively, the results no doubt would justify the action.

*Tuscarora* has been served by Rev. J. R. Hammond. Good has been accomplished. The work has been strengthened.

*Virginia*, Rev. John A. Bready, pastor. Brother Bready has carefully looked after all the interests of the church, and during the two years of his pastorate has made a good record. Material improvements have been made. The church is in a good condition.

*White Pine* was entered upon the list of appointments, hoping that some one might be secured to serve it; but as yet it is unprovided for. Brother and Sister Wilson offer to board and lodge a single man free of charge if he will come into White Pine County and preach the Gospel. The offer has been standing for nearly two years, and has not been accepted. Where is the heroism of the young men who are waiting and waiting to get into the older Conferences that are overcrowded?

In closing this report, I want to call the attention of the brethren to two or three things:

#### INSURANCE.

There are only eight churches and seven parsonages in the mission insured. If some of those uninsured buildings should burn down, it would be impossible to rebuild them again. Two of our churches this year narrowly escaped destruction by fire. I have urged this matter repeatedly upon pastors and Quarterly Conferences. In some places I have lectured to get money to insure the church and parsonage. I am sorry to say it, but I am convinced that some of our officials, and some of our pastors, do not take the interest in this matter that they should. I know that poverty is pleaded as a justification of negligence; but even this plea seems very unsatisfactory after the fire has devoured the building, and an attempt is made to rebuild, or the impossibility of rebuilding stares you grimly in the face. I believe that if the pastors and officials would take this matter in hand, and plan for it carefully, that every church and parsonage in the field could be insured within the next twelve months.

#### HOMES INVITING.

A good degree of interest is taken by our pastors and laymen in making comfortable and inviting our churches and parsonage homes. The yard fence unbroken; the gate neatly hung; roof on the barn; woodshed in the

rear of the house; shed for the buggy; buildings well painted; church furniture neatly dusted; walks, flowers, shrubs, fruit-trees, and beautiful plats of grass. These things are comparatively inexpensive. A little needed physical exercise will secure the most of them. It is too bad that any of our older church homes should be so sadly neglected as to have the appearance of the desert swept with the whirlwind.

## SPECIAL EFFORTS.

All of our efforts should be specially adapted to save souls and establish the kingdom of Jesus Christ in the hearts and lives of the people, and yet there are favored opportunities when a united, persistent, and continual effort will be productive of far-reaching results. Let Roman Catholics hold missions if they wish to, but let Methodists hold revival-meetings, three weeks, or three months if necessary, to awaken interest in the great work of saving the world. Our churches that hold revival-meetings are quickened and blessed, and souls are saved. How sad that any Methodist church should fail to hold a revival-meeting at least once a year! May our loving heavenly Father send us a rain of salvation!

## MISSIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS.

Superintendent.....	\$850	Bodie and Bridgeport....	\$100	Winnemucca.....	\$200
Cedarville.....	200	Carson.....	150	Susanville.....	170
Coleville.....	100	Lake Tahoe and Genoa....	200	Loyalton.....	200
Fall River.....	200	Gold Hill and Dayton....	100	Greenville.....	100
Truckee.....	100	Independence.....	200	Quincy.....	100
Austin.....	100	Lovelocks.....	200		
Bishop.....	200	Mason Valley.....	200	Missions, 19; money, \$3,670	

## STATISTICS OF NEVADA.

CIRCUIT OR STATION.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Probationers.	No. of Adults Baptized.	No. of Children Baptized.	No. of Sabbath-schools.	No. of Sabbath Scholars.	No. of Churches and Chapels.	Estimated Value of Churches and Chapels.	No. of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Estimated Value of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Debt on Real Estate.	Collected for Missionary Society.	Collected for other Benevolent Societies.	Collected for Self-support.	Collected for Church Building and Repairing.
Austin.....	19	2	1	5	1	120	1	\$5,000	1	\$4,000		\$20	\$13	\$1,047	\$36
Bishop.....	70	10	7	23	4	168	1	1,400	1	700	\$500	55	36	405	..
Bodie and Bridgeport....	3	..	..	..	..	60	1	2,400	1	50	300	12	3	440	..
Carson.....	65	1	..	3	1	100	1	10,000	2	2,000	..	65	29	1,120	250
Cedarville.....	34	16	7	1	1	70	1	1,800	1	500	..	20	18	639	..
Coleville.....	35	4	1	1	2	83	1	1,000	1	200	..	20	17	238	..
Eureka Mills & Johnsville	60	..	..	..	..	183	..	..	..	..	..	275	..	100	..
Fall River.....	45	2	1	2	1	29	2	2,800	..	..	310	10	..	81	1,300
Genoa.....	4	..	..	..	..	30	1	2,000	1	400	..	6	19	8	..
Gold Hill and Dayton....	9	4	1	1	1	75	1	5,000	2	2,000	..	3	3	238	23
Greenville.....	35	9	4	3	3	84	2	2,000	..	..	..	10	2	610	50
Independence.....	17	3	..	..	..	102	1	2,000	1	500	..	40	23	380	220
Lovelock.....	12	..	..	..	..	44	1	1,400	1	500	16	15	12	207	35
Loyalton.....	43	6	1	1	2	100	2	1,600	2	700	..	30	20	330	20
Mason Valley.....	37	3	..	2	3	113	1	1,000	1	800	200	66	23	649	..
Quincy.....	24	2	..	..	..	83	1	1,000	1	800	..	16	25	615	21
Reno.....	115	11	2	5	1	150	1	6,000	1	2,500	..	130	56	1,312	622
Ruby Hill and Eureka....	27	..	..	..	..	100	2	2,200	1	100	..	..	..	60	..
Susanville.....	41	9	..	1	4	175	2	4,550	1	1,200	..	51	86	1,082	245
Truckee.....	11	1	2	..	1	35	1	4,000	1	1,000	249	20	..	739	..
Tuscarora.....	9	1	..	1	1	92	1	900	2	800	..	15	15	1,034	219
Virginia.....	71	3	..	10	1	150	1	10,000	1	3,000	7,000	85	38	1,572	350
Winnemucca.....	25	6	6	18	1	100	1	5,900	1	1,000	150	10	10	823	..
Total.....	811	93	27	33	39	2,246	27	72,650	23	22,750	8,725	974	403	13,779	3,311
Last year.....	856	140	47	60	..	..	27	80,450	22	23,000	..	1,088	..	16,943	..

## NEW MEXICO, ENGLISH.

Commenced in 1850.

Organized in 1884.

UNDER SUPERVISION OF BISHOP MALLALIEU.

Rev. Thomas Harwood, Superintendent, reports as follows :

DEAR BRETHREN : It becomes my pleasant duty to present to you my annual report of the New Mexico English Mission for the year ending September 30, 1891. And in presenting this report, I desire, first of all, to express gratitude to the "Giver of every good and perfect gift" for his goodness and mercy vouchsafed to us during the past year and in bringing us together in this annual session.

Early in December last, while happy in my Spanish work, superintending the New Mexico Spanish Mission, with hands full of work and hopes high for the coming year, a letter came from Bishop Goodsell, who held our last Annual Meeting, asking me in connection with the Spanish work to take charge of the English Mission until he could get some one to superintend the work. I did so. In a few weeks another letter came from the bishop, saying, "I desire you to continue the superintendency of the English Mission the balance of the year, for," using the bishop's own words, "the brethren are delighted with it." At this I hardly knew what to say, but after much deliberation and prayer I replied that with the help of the Lord I would do the best I could. I felt, of course, the responsibility of the work and a kind of timidity in assuming the grave responsibilities of the American after having been out of it and shut up in the Spanish work for six years, and after the mission had had six years of growth after it had been separated from the Spanish and had been superintended by men of strength and standing in the Church. I feared that both missions might suffer under the new management, but we trust it will be shown, as we place the result of the year before you, that with God's blessing resting upon us and with the united support of all the brethren there has been no failure, but success and prosperity in almost every department of the work.

That the work may be seen at a glance and studied intelligently we will name the points occupied in the order of time as to their occupancy.

1. *Silver City*, R. E. Pierce, pastor. This is the oldest permanent English work in the mission. George Murray, from the Colorado Conference, was the first Methodist preacher in 1876. I had frequently visited the place, preaching always to good congregations. I preached the first Methodist sermon ever preached in the place, so far as I could learn. This was in October, 1873. I went from Tiptonville with my own conveyance *via* Las Vegas, Santa Fe, Fort Stanton, Las Cruces, and returned *via* Las Cruces, El Paso, Socorro, thence back to Palomas and up by Peralta and Santa Fe, making some one thousand two hundred miles in the whole trip. I found at Silver City a Presbyterian preacher, whose



name has gone from me, but he only remained a short time and seemed very lonely. In 1877-78-79 the Rev. N. H. Gale had charge; he organized the church, secured a site for the church building, and commenced the building, but before it was finished his wife died and after a few months he returned to his former home in Nebraska. The next preacher was Emory H. Binks in 1880. The church was dedicated in April of that year. The next year Rev. E. L. Allen came and built the parsonage. I will say, however, that this is Brother Pierce's second year. The first year was a good one, and the second has been still better, with all the interests of the church advancing. The people ask for the return of their pastor.

2. *Las Vegas*, Rev. A. Hoffman, pastor. I cannot say who preached the first Methodist sermon in Las Vegas. I only know that I preached the first in the present new town known as East Las Vegas. It was preached in the American House, then kept as a hotel by Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton, October, 1879. D. W. Calfee was the first preacher. The church was built in 1879-80, and dedicated by Dr. Earl Cranston, February 15, 1880. Father Dyer was in the old town of Las Vegas as early as 1866. The writer preached an occasional sermon from 1870 to the time when we occupied the place with regular services. The Presbyterians have been in the place since 1869. The next preacher after D. W. Calfee was D. M. Brown, next J. S. Smith, next W. R. Kistler, a name precious in the early history of the work, who died January 10, 1889, in great peace, loved in life, lamented in death, and was borne to his resting-place by one of the largest funeral processions ever witnessed in the city of Las Vegas. He must not be forgotten. The next after our lamented Brother Kistler was J. Engle, in 1888-89. The next was J. M. Rife, and next the present incumbent, the Rev. A. Hoffman. This is Brother Hoffman's second year, and as I said of Brother Pierce, the first year was a good one, and the second has been better. The church building has been thoroughly renovated—new opera-chairs have been put in, fresh paper, paint, and new fence, all speaking for themselves, amounting to about \$1,000. The church membership, after dismissing some fifty persons, has been doubled during the past year. All church interests are alive and the people ask for the return of their pastor.

3. *Santa Fe*, Rev. C. I. Mills, pastor. This is the next in order of time. The work was commenced in 1880 by Rev. H. H. Hall. The church building was commenced soon after his arrival, and finished and dedicated by Rev. David H. Moore, of Denver University, April 17, 1881. The first Methodist sermon ever preached in Santa Fe was by Rev. E. G. Nicholson, in October, 1850, from 2 Cor. 2. 1, 2. Mr. Nicholson was sent out by our Church at about the same time the Baptists and Presbyterians sent out their first men, just after New Mexico was ceded to the United States. The next was Dallas D. Lore, in 1855. These remained but a short time, and the work was abandoned for many years. Father Dyer made his head-quarters in Santa Fe in 1868-69, and preached frequently in Santa Fe, and organized a small class. So did Mr. Nicholson while he was there, but the members were mostly all *attachés* of the army, and

when the army moved the church went. The writer frequently visited the place, often spending a Sunday and preaching at different times from the early spring of 1870 until the place was permanently occupied by Mr. Hall as aforesaid. Then after Mr. Hall, Rev. H. M. Hackney, from the West Wisconsin Conference, then Rev. J. M. Davidson, then G. S. Hubbs, now gone to his rest, but his works follow him, then Dr. Stoughton, of the Rock River Conference, for a few months in 1886, then O. J. Moore, then G. P. Fry, and now C. I. Mills, who will report his own work at the proper time. This is Brother Mills's first year in Santa Fe, and I think it is safe to say, and but fair to say, that the work has never been in a more hopeful condition than at the close of the present year, and there is a unanimous request for his return.

4. *Albuquerque*, Rev. Charles V. Pleukharp, pastor. I am not able to say who preached the first Methodist sermon at this place. But Rev. John Steele, then in the Spanish work at Peralta, often preached in Albuquerque from 1873-79, when he left for his former Conference, the West Wisconsin. The writer also held an occasional service during the same time until 1879, when Mr. Gale, who had left us at Silver City, returned and took charge of this work. He commenced the present church building, which was afterward finished by his successor, Rev. W. R. Kistler, and dedicated by Bishop Fowler, September 27, 1885. Mr. Kistler had charge two years, and they probably were the two best years of his life. He then went to Las Vegas, where reference to his work and death has already been made. The next at Albuquerque after Mr. Kistler was Rev. J. S. Smith; then in 1887 Professor A. T. Hoyt, who was also the first president of the Albuquerque College. Mr. Hoyt had charge of both the church and college. It was double work, but the church more than doubled the membership during the year, and the finances showed a large advance. He was reappointed in charge of the church, but was taken sick at the Conference at Raton, and only lived a few hours after his return to home. He has gone to his rest and to his reward; let us not forget him. Next came Rev. Mr. Bowser for a few months only in charge of the church, but he was president of the college for the entire year; then Rev. Mr. Stockrell, then Mr. S. C. Wright, and then the present pastor, Charles V. Pleukharp. This is Brother Pleukharp's first year. He has done a good year's work, and kept at all the interests of the church nobly, considering all the difficulties which have come in the way. The people have asked for his return, but owing to failing health he thinks it not advisable unless it be for only a short time. We regret it very much, but if he is compelled by failing health to go elsewhere we promise him and his family our prayers and warmest sympathy.

While dwelling upon this point we beg space to speak a passing word here about the Albuquerque College. This school is located at Albuquerque and was chartered in 1887, and has had four years of quite successful work, under the management of the following professors: Rev. Almon F. Hoyt, W. Bowser, C. I. Mills, and last year Professors E. E. Marshall and Charles H. Higbee. The school has had its struggles from

the beginning. There was a debt at the beginning of the present year of some \$5,000, including interest. We have succeeded in reducing the debt in different ways to about \$2,000, and are hopeful that during the coming year the debt will be removed.

5. *Raton*, Rev. G. P. Fry, pastor. Our first preacher was Dr. C. A. Callen, in 1881. He commenced the present church. He was succeeded by Brother J. W. Sinnock, who finished the building; and the writer, assisted by the pastor, dedicated it free from any pressing local debt, near Christmas, 1884. The next preacher was G. W. Ray, the next was J. M. Rife, the next, for a short time, Charles V. Pleukharp, and the next the present pastor, G. P. Fry. Brother Fry has been in charge one year. His congregations and Sunday-schools have been large. He has during the year erected a good two-story parsonage, under the building and loan association. He has made some payments on the old Church Extension debt, and has done a year's work for the Master. I am sorry to say that his health is not firm, but he is hopeful that it will improve. The people ask for his return.

6. *Chama*, S. H. Kirkbride, pastor. This place is so remote from the main centers of the work that we feel constrained to give its location—not that it is so far away, though the mission is noted for its marvelous distances, but it is off the main line of our usual travel. Well, to reach Chama from Santa Fe take the narrow-gauge railway about one hundred miles to Antonito, in Colorado, then westward sixty-five miles, dipping down again into New Mexico, and on the beautiful, sparkling Chama River, nestled in the mountains, is this place. However, I need not tell the brethren of the mission how to get there, as they will likely not go yet, as the people unanimously ask for the return of S. H. Kirkbride.

I ought to remark here, as this report is a kind of connecting link of history, as well as a report of the present condition of the work, that in 1884 the General Conference divided the New Mexico Mission (which had grown into quite a large mission of both English and Spanish speaking people) into the missions of English and Spanish. The English work was superintended by Rev. S. W. Thornton for four years. The next two and up to the early part of this Conference year by Rev. T. L. Wiltsee. Some time during Brother Wiltsee's administration this lumbering town sprang up, and the people began calling for preaching. In May, 1889, Revs. Wiltsee and Moore spent some two weeks in revival work, and took steps toward the organization of a church. Rev. S. H. Kirkbride, of the Troy Conference, was sent out and took charge of the work. Brother Kirkbride, then, is the first and only regular preacher they have ever had. He has succeeded in building a church and parsonage. He who builds a church builds his own monument. Brother Kirkbride has built his, and so long as the beautiful church and parsonage buildings stand they will be a monument to the faithfulness and heroism of this their first preacher.

7. *El Paso*, Texas, O. J. Moore, pastor. I cannot say what Methodist preacher preached first at El Paso. I only know that I visited the place October 20, 1873, and preached twice, once in El Paso, on our side of the

river, and once on the Mexican side. I had good, appreciative audiences at both places—about thirty. After that I visited the place quite often, calling frequently and loudly for an appropriation for a preacher. The fact was, it didn't belong to us those days, and it was too far from any occupied point in Texas to be easily reached, and on that small technicality the place was left unoccupied by our Church until 1885. By that time other denominations had the start of us, and we have found it difficult to regain the lost ground. However, the Lord has been gracious, and we now have quite a membership, and the best church we think in the place, but there is quite an extensive church debt resting upon the property.

The first preacher was Rev. G. B. M. Rogers, placed in charge May, 1885, under Brother Thornton's administration. The next was Rev. J. W. Sinnock, who succeeded, with the help of the superintendent, in the purchase of a good site, at a cost of \$1,750, and brought the church to completion, and it was dedicated March 17, 1889, by Bishop Walden, assisted by Revs. Wiltsee and Sinnock, myself, and others, costing, including lots, \$8,000. The next preacher was Rev. O. J. Moore. He has done reasonably well, but has closed up the year and gone to Golden, Col. We are sorry to lose him from this mission, and our prayers and best wishes will go with him.

8. *Kingston*. Kingston is a mining town, and, like other mining towns, has its struggles. Charles V. Owen was in charge until about the last of June. Some complaints came up against him which required investigation, and in getting ready for said investigation it was found that he had no credentials to show that he was a preacher, local or otherwise, or that he was even a member of our Church. In the absence of any such evidence, and he failing to produce any, and being, as I thought, unfit for our work, I decided that we had no jurisdiction over him, and he was dropped from the work. We have a neat church building at Kingston, erected by the heroic efforts of Rev. N. W. Chase, former pastor.

9. This brings us to the next place, which is *Hillsborough*. Rev. N. W. Chase is pastor. Brother Chase has had only nominal charge. The fact is, in struggling to finish up the church at Kingston he became involved in debt, and felt that he could not very well move at the last Conference, and was put in charge of Kingston so as to give him a chance to straighten up his financial affairs. He has done so, and is now ready to move if it should be thought best. The first sermon ever preached in Hillsborough was by myself in 1878, soon after the mining camp was opened. I have made occasional visits into that region since that, preaching at Hillsborough, Lake Valley, Kingston, and at other places. Our Spanish work extends over pretty much the same ground. We have no church property at Hillsborough, but as it is the county seat and a growing town, and controls quite an extensive country, we ought to strengthen the place and hold the ground.

10. *Springer*, supplied by Rev. A. A. Hyde, in connection with his church and school work at Tiptonville in the Spanish Mission. The doubling of work has been a saving in missionary money, but Brother Hyde feels that it would be better for him to devote himself wholly to the English



work. He is trying to build a church at Springer. Has about \$1,000 on subscription, and the promise of \$500 from the Board of Church Extension. The people ask his return. The acting superintendent so recommends.

11. *Blossburg*, Rev. J. W. Sinnock, pastor. Blossburg is some five miles up in the mountains from Raton. The principal industry is coal mining. The work is new, or at least it never has been occupied by us as a separate and independent work until this year. We have a church building, a small membership, good congregations, and a large Sunday-school. The people will pay the pastor about \$50 per month. He has only \$250 missionary money, and ought to have more, especially when we consider the uncertainty of the camp as to the kind of men who may be employed. The church asks, unanimously, the return of Brother Sinnock.

12. *Las Cruces*, supplied by T. M. Harwood. This is double work for Brother Harwood, who has charge also of the Spanish work, and he would be glad to be relieved of it next year. He sometimes preaches four times a Sunday. I cannot tell who preached the first Methodist sermon in Las Cruces, but I remember being there as early as 1873, and preached, I think, it was on October 18. I soon arranged for English and Spanish preaching, and a day-school. Our first preacher was Rev. J. H. Roberts. The next was Rev. G. Murray. Other denominations came in and occupied the field with English services. We then discontinued the English services, partly for want of sufficient funds, as well as the fact that there were too few Americans. The English membership is small, about a dozen, but they are real solid people, mostly farmers. The congregations average about twenty-five or thirty. The people unanimously asked at our last Quarterly Conference the same pastor for next year.

13. *San Pedro and Easton*. Brother J. W. Gilkerson has supplied the work for the past five months. The rides are long, the work is hard. The young man became restless and quit the work before the Conference.

14. *Espanola*, supplied by a young local preacher. We have a church and parsonage in the Spanish work. The young local preacher, Brother Guy O. Phillips, preaches in the Spanish church building. He has a congregation of some twenty-five or more, and an organization of about a dozen American members and a good Sunday-school.

This closes the work of the mission as it is now managed. We have, as it will be observed, several new points, and there has been quite a saving in the funds of the mission, so that we have been enabled to apply, by permission of the Board at New York, some \$657.50 of the funds to the debt of Albuquerque College. There is a balance of mission funds in my hands of \$300.

# STATISTICS OF NEW MEXICO (ENGLISH.)

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.			BAP- TISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.							SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.				
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. of Children Baptized.	No. of Adults Baptized.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for Building and Improving ( churches and Parsonages.	Paid on Old Indebted- ness on Church Prop- erty.	Present Indebtedness on Church Property.	Current Expenses (Sext- on, Light, Fuel, etc.)	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all Ages.	MISSIONS.				For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday-School Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society.		For Education.	For American Bible Society.	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Woman's Home Missionary Society.
Albuquerque...	3	70	1	1	8	..	1	\$5,000	..	...	\$55	...	...	\$250	1	13	75	\$75	\$25	\$100	\$26	\$6	\$6	\$10	\$138	\$6	..	..	\$14	\$757
Blossburg.....	3	17	..	..	38	..	1	1,000	..	...	10	...	...	65	1	13	140	..	35	35	10	1	1	2	1	1	2	\$1	1	630
Chama.....	..	24	..	..	2	8	1	2,500	1	\$575	75	...	...	50	5	23	155	38	7	45	5	2	2	5	30	2	..	..	..	600
El Paso.....	2	40	..	..	1	2	1	9,000	..	....	15	...	\$96	130	1	11	75	13	47	60	18	2	1	7	31	2	..	..	..	625
Espanola.....	2	10	..	..	..	..	..	....	..	..	..	..	\$2,400	..	1	..	15	3	2	5	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..
Hillsborough...	..	18	..	..	2	..	..	....	..	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kingston.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3,000	..	....	..	400	..	..	2	12	120	15	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	40
Las Cruces.....	1	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	..	..	..	30	1	4	25	10	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	50
Las Vegas.....	45	116	..	2	10	19	1	3,500	1	1,500	1,000	..	..	875	1	15	160	80	40	120	30	3	2	17	7	7	2	2	25	1,088
Raton.....	3	49	..	..	1	..	1	6,500	1	1,500	450	200	1,772	107	1	11	230	20	80	100	5	1	1	1	35	3	..	..	..	627
Santa Fe.....	6	30	1	..	2	..	1	5,000	1	1,200	350	...	500	175	1	8	75	50	30	80	1	2	2	1	5	1	1	1	1	426
Silver City.....	5	35	1	1	4	..	1	4,000	1	1,500	50	...	...	130	1	11	100	72	30	102	8	2	2	8	45	2	..	..	742	
Springer.....	2	15	..	..	1	1	..	....	..	125	..	...	...	35	2	9	60	24	..	24	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	40
Socorro.....	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	..	....	..	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
San Pedro.....	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	..	....	..	...	...	..	1	..	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	70
Totals.....	87	438	3	4	64	25	9	\$39,500	5	\$8,275	\$2,130	\$698	\$4,672	\$1,347	19	130	1,250	\$400	\$298	\$698	\$108	\$19	\$17	\$51	\$317	\$25	\$4	\$41	\$5,637	5,224
Last year....	76	367	5	11	84	14	8	38,450	4	4,500	4,830	650	4,430	1,078	12	107	775	400	245	649	150	19	19	66	111	21	9	101	..	..

NOTE.—Other Benevolent Collections: Albuquerque, \$36; Las Vegas, \$50.

## NEW MEXICO, SPANISH.

Commenced in 1850.

Discontinued in 1856.

Work resumed in 1866.

Organized in 1876.

Made into two missions 1884.

Spanish, reorganized 1884.

BISHOP MALLALIEU HAS EPISCOPAL SUPERVISION.

### APPOINTMENTS.

THOMAS HARWOOD, *Superintendent*. (P.-O., Socorro, N. M.)

*Albuquerque*, J. E. Sosa, to be supplied. *Chilili Circuit*, Juan Garcia. *Conejos and Dulce Circuit*, A. Jacobs. *Costilla and Cerro Circuit*, J. B. Sanches. *Dona Ana Circuit*, S. Garcia. *El Paso*, F. N. Cordova. *El Ranchito Circuit*, E. Montoya. *El Llano Circuit*, J. A. Vigil. *Escondida Circuit*, L. Fernandez. *Espanola Circuit*, R. Suazo. *Framptonville and Framperos*, L. Romero. *Hatch Circuit*, supplied by Epimenio Flores. *La Gallina and Naranjas*, Epifanio Flores. *La Joya Circuit*, E. C. Salagar. *La Mesilla Valley Circuit*, E. Barela. *Las Cruces Circuit*, T. M. Harwood. *Peralta Circuit*, David Alva. *Penasco Circuit*, B. Gonzales. *Santa Fe*, to be supplied. *Silver City and Solomonville*, M. Ortiga. *Socorro and Kelly*, M. Barela. *Socorro Circuit*, to be supplied. *Taos Circuit*, Camilo Varos. *Tiptonville and Watrous*, L. Frampton. *Val Verde Circuit*, B. Gutierros. *Wagon Mound and Springer*, J. Sandoval.

As will be seen, we have twenty-seven stations and circuits, and the most of them are central to other preaching-places, making some eighty in all.

The year has been one of hard work for the superintendent, especially so, as he has been acting superintendent of the English as well as the Spanish Mission and Spanish schools. We are glad to say, however, that so far as we can see neither the English nor the Spanish Mission has suffered by this double work. As for statistics of the Annual Meeting of the English Mission, it may be seen that eighteen per cent. was added to the membership, fifty-six per cent. to the scholars in Sunday-schools. And while the statistics show a decrease in a very few of the collections as compared with those of last year, still, taking the entire amount of money raised on the mission for all purposes, including that raised for the Albuquerque College debt, it surpasses the amount raised last year by more than \$3,000; or, in other words, the increase surpasses the decrease as nearly three to one. I would not have thought to name this fact only that our ears were lightly boxed because we suffered a few of the smaller collections to fall behind, which ought not to have been—I mean the “falling behind” and not the “boxing.”

I hope the above will not be construed into any invidious comparison with the work of last year. God forbid it, when, as by my own statement in my appeal for the Albuquerque College debt, I showed that the mis-

sionary collection for last year was "a dollar and thirty cents per member," enough to reach the million line in less than four months if the entire Church had done so well, and \$13 per member for self-support. "If the entire Church had done as well as that, each preacher could have had a salary of \$2,000 a year, and a surplus left sufficiently large to endow forty schools with \$100,000 each." I throw in these facts to show that we have out here a free-hearted, generous people.

But I must not forget that it is the Spanish and not the English Mission I am to report. I am glad to say that the work is doing well—advancing in all departments. But we could do much more if we only had sufficient missionary money to extend the work to points beyond.

#### EXTENT OF THE MISSION.

This Spanish Mission embraces all of New Mexico, Southern Colorado, West Texas, and the State of Chihuahua, in Mexico. We mean, of course, the Spanish-speaking people of these places. The work is nearly all in New Mexico. A straight line from east to west through the center of the Territory would leave about half the members on each side of said line. In my annual report to the Mission Conference I presented the work under four general groups or natural divisions, and will so report it now. The first embraces the north-east portion of New Mexico and the south-east part of Colorado. It extends westward to the snowy range of the Rocky Mountains, southward to the Pecos River, embracing its tributaries, eastward to the Texas line, and northward embracing a few counties in south-east Colorado. It has in it about forty thousand Mexican people. We have in this group 264 members and probationers, 5 church buildings, 3 parsonages, 6 preachers, 6 Sunday-schools, and 120 scholars; increase in members and probationers over last year, 35.

The whole group is ripe for the harvest if we only had more money to pay the reapers. The north-west group embraces that portion of New Mexico west of the aforesaid snowy range of the Rocky Mountains. It might be more familiarly known as the Toas group, as it embraces the Toas valley and all the country around about. It reaches south to and embraces Espanola, and in the north to include Conyos, Dulce, Costilla, Cerro, and all the regions round about. It has a Mexican population of some forty thousand souls. In this group there are 520 members and probationers, 5 church buildings, 3 parsonages, 7 preachers, 7 Sunday-schools, and 174 scholars, and 132 day-school scholars. Increase in membership over last year, 89.

The central group embraces Santa Fe on the north, and thence down on the Rio Grande to Albuquerque, Peralta, La Joya, Socorro, San Antonio, and Val Verde, then east and west—as Father Dyer, of the Colorado Conference, used to say—until we "meet missionaries coming this way." This group has a Mexican population of some thirty thousand souls. We have in this group 503 members and probationers; Sunday-school scholars, 250; and day-school scholars, 130; 8 preachers; and an increase in membership over last year of 42.



The fourth and last group lies in the south and south-west part of the territory, and embraces Chihuahua, in Mexico. It has a population of some two hundred thousand. About one hundred and eighty thousand of this number are in Chihuahua. The principal towns occupied by us are Dona Ana, Las Cruces, El Paso, Silver City, Hillsborough, etc. We have in this group 450 members and probationers, 5 Sunday-schools, 119 scholars, only 2 church-buildings and 2 parsonages, 7 preachers. Increase in membership, 125.

You will see that we are not occupying Chihuahua, in Mexico. We regret it very much. But what can we do in a State of one hundred and eighty thousand people with not a dollar additional to aid in the work? In fact, our appropriations are less now than they were before Chihuahua was added to our mission. When Bishop Walden held our Annual Meeting in 1887 he was so impressed with the importance of this Spanish work and our noble workers that he succeeded in securing for the mission \$14,000 for the regular work and \$2,000 for schools. Since that Chihuahua, with a greater population than all the field besides, has been added, and we now have employed in the mission thirty men. Brother Alva, from Arizona, has returned to us by permission of that mission and the bishop. When he went to Arizona to aid in the Spanish work of that mission it was on a salary of \$800 a year (not a very good precedent, we thought, for it made some of our preachers a little restless), and now returns to a salary of \$450 and rents. That is shamefully small for such a man, but we could do no better for want of money. Why cut us down from \$14,000 to \$12,000 and hold us to that, while at the same time Chihuahua, with its one hundred and eighty thousand population and so many more preachers, is added to our work? Why tie our hands and feet, and hold us back from entering the opening doors of the inviting fields of this work? Why hold us back from the battle front of this long-waged fight, with rations cut short, when it is death to stand still, and worse than death—death, shame, and dishonor, to retreat? True, we are out on the picket line, but picket posts must be sustained, or the main line may suffer defeat. But what is the use of writing all this? Will it ever be read? Can it be that the missionary reports are all read by those who have the responsible task of measuring out a million of dollars? I wish I knew whether or not my report of last year was read. As many as read it please raise the right-hand? All right, I am glad you read it, but from some of the speeches at the last General Meeting I was afraid it had not been read.

#### HISTORIC OUTLINES OF THE MISSION.

It is true that missionary work was commenced in New Mexico in 1850. It seems that our Church, the Baptist, and Presbyterian sent missionaries to New Mexico in that year. But it is not proper to say that our mission is, therefore, "forty years old," because the work was not kept up. It was kept up until 1855, but not much done. It was then abandoned until 1868. Father Dyer had made a flying trip from Colorado as far into New Mexico as Santa Fe in 1865, preaching wherever he could get an audience. He

says in his "Snow Shoe Itinerant" that he preached in Sante Fe on the afore-said trip "for the only Protestant preacher in all New Mexico." The Presbyterians had gone, and it seems there was but the one preacher left in all this field.

In 1868 the General Conference extended the south boundary of the Colorado Conference so as to embrace New Mexico, and it was made a district in said Conference, and Father Dyer was appointed presiding elder. He was alone in his district until 1869, when Bishop Scott transferred the writer of this report to the Colorado Conference, and he was sent to New Mexico to help Father Dyer. In 1870 Father Dyer was removed and I was left alone in the Territory. In 1872 New Mexico was cut off from the Colorado Conference, and made into the New Mexico Mission, and has ever since that time been operated by the Missionary Society.

On July 3, 1870, the first Methodist Episcopal Church building ever erected in New Mexico was dedicated. In 1871 Brothers Benito Garcia and Ambrozio Gonzales were licensed to preach, being the first licensed Mexican Protestant preachers in New Mexico, and, so far as we know, the first in the world. In 1872 the present incumbent, Thomas Harwood, was made superintendent of the mission. In the latter part of the same year Rev. John Steck was sent out from the West Wisconsin Conference and stationed at Peralta. In 1873 Rev. T. J. Tolby was sent out, and in 1875 was brutally assassinated.

In 1876 the first Annual Meeting was held and the mission more formally organized, the writer presiding. The next year, 1877, Bishop Bowman made us the first episcopal visit, and held our second Annual Meeting. Since that time we have had an episcopal visit nearly every year. In 1884 the General Conference divided the mission into the English and Spanish, since which time it has been operated as two distinct missions. Rev. S. W. Thornton superintended the English four years; Rev. T. L. Wiltsee two years; the writer, last year in connection with his Spanish, and now Rev. C. L. Bovard is the superintendent of the English Mission.

#### A FEW CORRECTIONS.

Dr. J. M. Reid, in his admirable work on Missions, Vol II, p. 90, says: "In the year 1872 Rev. Thomas Harwood was sent out to reopen the work with Rev. John Steele to assist." John Steele was sent out that year, but Thomas Harwood was sent out by Bishop Scott in 1869, and has been here ever since, and he ought to know. Bishop Simpson, *Cyclopædia of Methodism*, p. 651, says: "In December, 1872, the Methodist Mission of New Mexico was inaugurated, when Rev. Thomas Harwood and John Steele were sent out."

The bishop, however, has it correct in another place in the same book, on p. 433. Dr. A. B. Hyde, in his story of Methodism in America, p. 292, says: "The Spanish work in New Mexico is now (1887) in its second year." That would make it to have commenced in 1885, as that book was written in 1887.

It is not easy to say just when the Spanish work commenced, as the

English and Spanish were together as one work until 1884, but it surely had commenced when I preached my first sermon in Spanish in 1871, and we licensed two of the Mexican men to preach and employed them under salary, and that same year visited Peralta and organized the work there with forty-three Mexican members. I ought to say, perhaps, reorganized the work at Peralta, as it seems that Dr. Lore, in his visit to New Mexico in 1855, organized a few small classes; one of them was at Peralta with Brother Ambrozio Gonzales and family. This had grown into a class of forty-three when I organized it in 1871. The rest had all disappeared. I think the above corrections are all important, because we must be true to facts.

With other corrections I call attention to a statement made in the late General Missionary meeting. Read it: "We now have there [New Mexico], after forty years, three hundred and ninety-eight Sunday-school scholars and nine hundred and fifty-five members; that is the result of all our work. Unless there is something more encouraging for the future I do not think we ought to appropriate even the \$12,000 for the work." What a cold wave to originate in a Methodist missionary meeting. O for a "baptism of the Holy Ghost and of fire to take off the chill produced by this cold utterance." But suppose it were true, just as the doctor said, "forty years and nine hundred and fifty-five members and three hundred and ninety-eight Sunday-school scholars." What of it? When I look back upon this long-neglected field twenty-two years ago, and think of what was then before us, the language of the people to learn, their prejudices and superstitions to be overcome, converts to be gained, preachers to be made, and all to be dug out of this sterile soil of Romanism, with so little money (\$700 the first year), so few Bibles, tracts, or literature of any kind in the Spanish language, I wonder at what God hath wrought.

This long-neglected, benighted south-west corner of our republic, shut out from the civilized world for generations by vast plains, and cut off by warlike Indian tribes, and shut in with Romanism for ten generations, what could one expect? Mexico, South America, Italy, and nearly all other Roman Catholic Latin countries have had access to and could touch elbows with the civilization of the age. The Bible, the great civilizer in all the ages, found its way into Mexico as early as 1827. The British and Foreign Bible Society sold and distributed in Mexico city and neighboring towns over a thousand of the Old and three thousand copies and portions of the New Testaments in that same year; but no Bibles ever found their way to New Mexico until after the American occupation, so far as I have ever been able to learn, and even then they were distributed in many places only to be burned, and it is fair to say they are being burned up to this date. Hence I say that if New Mexico has made such a poor showing "after forty years," is it to be wondered at? Should we cease our efforts? Should not the thirty men out on the picket line be furnished rations or else honorably relieved? But hold! Are there not other missions which, after forty years, or even "forty-six years, of fort-holding," as Dr. Wood says in his report of the South America Mission for 1887, have not much more to show than New Mexico?

But we are glad they were so nobly sustained, and that they "held the fort," for without that the "conquest," as the doctor calls it, could not have come in the next four years. "Forty-six years" gave that mission five hundred and forty-six members, and it was a grand work considering all the difficulties; but the next four years swelled the number to nine hundred and eighty-five—almost double. Why complain, then, even if it has taken New Mexico "forty years" to gain nine hundred and fifty-five? It is the same kind of work. The hardest kind of missionary work in the world. It is easier to knock the head off the heathen god than the "toe" off of St. Peter.

But this mission is not "forty years old," as my statements in this report clearly show. Neither is it true that we have only "three hundred and ninety-eight Sunday-school scholars and nine hundred and fifty-five members" as the "result of all our work." If Dr. Arbuckle had glanced at the next column of our last year's report he would have seen four hundred and eighty probationers. And we think they are worth counting. Also at the next column he could read two thousand six hundred and seventy-five adherents and two hundred and forty-five conversions. We think these are all worth something in the count. Or, if he had had our latest report, which he might have had, and ought to have had in order to have done safe and intelligent work in helping to distribute so much money for the missions, then he could have read, 1,098 members, 598 probationers, 3,050 adherents, 256 conversions, 648 Sunday-school scholars, and all this out of the hard soil of Romanism—all Spanish-speaking people. But that does not show all the results of the work, as the doctor seemed to think he was giving. To show it up properly he ought to have added the English to the Spanish, as it is all the result of not "forty years," but only about twenty-two years, as I have said before. Then he could have read 1,536 members instead of 955; 1,898 Sunday-school scholars instead of 398; 685 probationers, 27 churches, 16 parsonages. Total valuation, \$88,000. Neither was it fair to state in the late General Missionary Meeting that other "denominations are doing nothing down here." The Baptists undoubtedly would have done well if they had continued. When the War of the Rebellion broke out they called in their missionary and practically closed their work. The Presbyterians are doing well.

But I must close this already too lengthy report. The most of us know nothing but loyalty to the Church, but we fear a few of our preachers will nibble at the bait of higher salaries in other churches and get caught, as a few have done in the past.

I repeat it. Our appropriation is not what it ought to be. It may not seem serious at your end of the line, but it means a great deal at this end. It means discouragement to our faithful workers, It means bare feet to some of their children. It means tables with few dishes and less food. It means to continue to live in dark, dreary, dirt-floor houses as some fifteen of our preachers are now doing; but all this we could stand if we could only push out to points beyond and take this land for Christ. Our mission schools are doing well.



# STATISTICS OF NEW MEXICO (SPANISH).

## CIRCUIT OR STATION.

CIRCUIT OR STATION.																								
American Missionaries.	Native Ordained Preachers.	Native Unordained Preachers.	Native Teachers.	American Teachers.	Members.	Probationers.	Adherents.	Average Attendance on Sunday Worship.	Conversions during Year.	Adults Baptized.	Children Baptized.	No. of Day-schools.	No. of Day Scholars.	No. of Sabbath-schools.	No. of Sabbath-Scholars.	No. of Churches and Chapels.	Estimated Value of Churches and Chapels.	No. of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Estimated Value of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Collected for other Benevolent Societies.	Collected for Self-support.	Collected for Church Building and Repairing.	Contributed for other Local Purposes.	
1	1	1	1	1	19	22	150	80	15	..	..	1	80	1	80	1	\$2,000	..	..	\$4	2	\$80	\$25	
Thomas Harwood, Supt., Socorro ..					20	16	60	15	..	..	1	15	1	15	1	..	..	..	..	8	2	\$40	\$25	
Albuquerque, .....	1	1	1	1	20	31	100	80	15	1	1	15	1	15	1	..	..	..	..	15	6	60	25	
Albuquerque Circuit. {					117	48	125	40	25	10	10	20	2	2	2	2	2,000	2	\$600	8	25	400	25	
Chilli, Manzano, and Lizique.					16	4	60	20	18	..	..	60	1	1	1	1	600	1	\$800	10	75	50	20	
Conejos, Dulce, etc.					33	21	100	85	13	8	8	1	60	1	1	1	2,000	1	800	15	2	25	40	
Coyote and Coyote Valley.					107	97	250	70	..	..	38	1	46	1	1	1	300	1	800	15	2	25	40	
Doña Ana.					1	72	12	100	60	20	8	1	22	1	1	1	1,000	1	800	6	2	25	10	
El Paso, Tex.					1	21	4	50	80	2	..	1	1	1	1	1	1,500	1	800	15	2	100	20	
El Rancho Circuit.					34	21	150	80	20	..	9	1	23	1	1	1	1,500	1	800	15	2	100	400	
Espanola Circuit.					79	14	150	25	20	..	1	1	21	1	1	1	1,500	1	800	7	8	25	..	
Franktonville Circuit.		1	1	1	6	12	40	10	15	..	1	1	17	1	1	1	1,000	1	600	3	2	..	..	
Hillsborough and Paloma.					25	17	60	25	2	..	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,000	1	600	8	8	20	20	
Hatch Circuit.					47	17	80	25	7	2	2	1	20	1	1	1	1,000	1	600	7	8	50	20	
La Joya Circuit.					15	12	100	30	6	..	1	..	1	1	1	1	1,000	1	1,000	20	..	150	80	
La Gallina Circuit.	1	1	1	1	45	18	100	80	13	1	1	..	..	1	1	1	2,500	1	1,500	6	2	25	..	
Las Cruces					2	1	25	..	..	..	2	1	28	1	1	1	2,500	1	1,500	5	2	100	80	
Llano Circuit.					70	80	200	60	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2,500	1	1,500	10	2	25	..	
La Mesilla Valley.					19	2	100	80	7	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2,500	1	1,500	8	2	100	20	
Penala					4	27	50	15	18	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2,500	1	1,500	5	2	25	..	
Penasco Circuit.					52	42	150	40	10	6	1	1	23	1	1	1	4,000	1	1,500	8	2	100	40	
San Antonio, Santa Rita.					80	81	150	40	15	4	4	1	26	1	1	1	4,000	1	1,500	20	6	100	20	
Santa Fe.					23	15	150	20	20	..	..	1	1	1	1	1	4,000	1	1,000	6	4	100	40	
Socorro and Kelly.	1	1	1	1	2	5	50	15	7	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	4,000	1	1,000	8	2	100	25	
Socorro Circuit.					80	85	150	80	13	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	4,000	1	1,000	10	8	100	40	
Taos Circuit.					1	94	6	25	7	2	2	1	30	1	1	1	2,000	1	1,000	6	4	20	..	
Tiptonville Circuit	1	1	1	1	..	6	20	150	25	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2,000	1	1,000	10	8	100	25	
Tramperos Circuit.					..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2,000	1	1,000	10	8	100	..	
Val Verde.					..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2,000	1	1,000	6	4	20	..	
Wagon Mound and Springer.					..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2,000	1	1,000	10	8	100	..	
Solomonville, Edge of Arizona.					..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2,000	1	1,000	6	4	20	..	
Total for 1891.	5	22	2	5	8,112	614	3,000	905	256	9	55	14	897	27	648	18	\$29,400	14	\$14,300	\$250	\$75	\$1,200	\$1,265	\$840
Last year.	5	10	18	4	8,955	430	2,675	245	245	..	56	11	298	19	898	17	\$27,400	13	\$14,100	\$220	\$60	\$1,085	\$745	..

Note.—Assistant Missionaries, Socorro, 1. Las Cruces: Pages printed during the year, 80,000.

## NORTH PACIFIC GERMAN.

Organized in 1888.

UNDER SUPERVISION OF BISHOP FITZGERALD.

### APPOINTMENTS.

GEORGE HARTUNG, *Superintendent*. (P.-O., Albina, Ore.)

*Centralia and Chehalis*, Adam Buehler. *Fairhaven and Whatcom*, H. Hansen. *Milwaukee*, Ludwig Gaiser. *Harrington*, Carl Jans. *Portland, First Church*, George J. Schultz. *Portland, Second Church*, Frederic H. Luecke. *Ritzville*, H. F. Michael. *Ridgefield and La Camas*, John W. Beckley. *Salem*, Abraham Hager. *Seattle*, C. A. Priesing. *Spokane*, A. L. Koeneke. *Spokane Circuit*, F. W. Buckholz. *Tacoma*, Joseph Hepp. *Walla Walla*, J. G. Moehring.

### Superintendent Hartung reports :

It is with a thankful heart that I look back over the past year with its manifold blessings from the Lord. The work is gaining ground and strength. Our influence is increasing and it cannot be denied that German Methodism on the North Pacific Coast is fulfilling its great mission.

A brief historical statement of the German work on the North Pacific Coast may not be out of place at this time. The work among our people was begun in Portland, Ore., in the year 1880 by Brother Fredrick Bonn. Soon, however, the large emigration of German people to the North Pacific Coast induced the Church to send more preachers to the field, and in 1883 the German work was formed into a district, and in 1888 it was organized into a mission by Bishop Ninde, called the North Pacific German Mission, and the writer was appointed as the superintendent. At that time we had seven men in the field ; now our number has in these few years increased to fifteen. The year just ending has been a year of prosperity and success. Our people have contributed during the year \$18.87 per member for building and improving churches and parsonages, and canceling old indebtedness ; \$1.75 per member for current expenses in churches and Sunday-schools ; 98 cents per member for missions ; \$1.15 per member for all other benevolent collections ; \$5.43 per member for bishops, presiding elder, and pastors' salaries. That is a total of \$28.18 per member for all purposes. In summary we have built five churches and two parsonages ; on these only a debt of \$480 is left. For building churches and parsonages and canceling old indebtedness \$9,946 has been collected. For bishops, presiding elder, and pastors' salaries, including house rent, \$3,302. For missions and other benevolent collections, \$839. Total sum, \$14,087.

Looking at the fact that our people in our cities mostly belong to the laboring class, dependent upon their daily earnings, and in the country the majority are new settlers among these dense forests and upon these somewhat isolated prairies, still engaged in building homes and opening up

their lands, and taking into account the financial condition of our members just given, it is truly remarkable, and no one will question their devotion and liberality. The spiritual condition of the mission may be said to be good. The Lord has saved many precious souls, and in several places we have had blessed revivals.

May I call your attention in a special way, first, to our aims for the future, and, second, to our wants for the present. Our first and great aim for the future is to take care of the Germans as a people, that will come to this North Pacific Coast, and lift them up by the glorious Gospel of Jesus Christ—get their hearts renewed and converted to God. If this ever shall be done with the Germans on this North Pacific Coast the Methodist Episcopal Church must do the greater part of it. I do not say all, but I say again it must do the greater part of it.

Second. To become an Annual Conference. An able body of men, well qualified and fully consecrated to God; “good men holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience,” who will confront the world and will not fear the devil. We welcome the day when we will be organized into an Annual Conference, and this day will have some of our highest joy.

Third. To found an institution of learning, where the German language will be taught, and the young men prepared for our work. We feel the necessity more and more from year to year. To attain this in the future, preliminary steps have been taken.

Fourth. To advance into self-supporting charges as soon as possible. We are longing for the time when we will only need help for the new-formed missions, and also for the time when we can pay back in large sums abundantly. In future this will not only be a begging, but a giving church.

Now I come to our wants for the present. We need men. We are not lacking applications—we are receiving them from every direction—but we only need the bravest, the brightest, the best men, and only this class can expect to meet success. A man who has not the qualification or the stamina to succeed in other Conferences need not think of entering the work in these mission fields. To be a missionary on the North Pacific Coast is to be a man of the best mettle.

The second great need is money. We have fifteen preachers in the field, including the superintendent. The field includes twenty-seven charges, embracing the States of Oregon and Washington. These men receive for their support on an average not more than \$450. Out of this amount provisions, clothing, house-rent, traveling expenses, and occasional doctor bills must be paid. A decrease of their salary from year to year in order to enable us to extend our work, as has been the case, can hardly be endured any longer. When some of our preachers' wives are under the necessity of taking sewing and washing in order to provide sufficient support for their families, it seems we have reached a limit beyond which we cannot safely venture.

By reason of insufficient funds the following places could not be supplied during the past year: Aberdeen, Wash., with its two hundred and

seventy-five German families; Port Townsend, Wash., with nearly one hundred; Chewela, Wash., with seventy-five; Ellensburg and North Yakima, Wash., with nearly one hundred German families; Bethany and Scappoose, Ore., with one hundred and seventy-five; Albany, Ore., with more than two hundred and fifty; and Rogue River, Ore., with nearly two hundred German families. And for the same reason these same places, except perhaps Bethany and Scappoose, Ore., cannot be supplied even this year. In all southern Oregon south of Salem we have not a single man in the field. And yet such places as Jacksonville, Medford, Ashland, Roseburg, Eugene, Grant's Pass, La Grand, and Coose Bay, with a large and increasing population of Germans, should be occupied. Requests for German preaching have come to us from each of these places and others. In southern Washington we have but two men in the field. Besides this such places as Gray's Harbor, Aberdeen, Bay City, Huguam, Douglas, Cosmopolis, South Bend, Snohomish are important points with increasing German population and should be occupied. In all Idaho and eastern Oregon we have no missionary in the field. So far as can be ascertained from reliable sources, there are from ten to twelve thousand Germans in these two States and Idaho, who have not so much as seen a German missionary of any denomination within the precincts of their new homes. Besides this there are hundreds of unbaptized children growing up without Sunday-schools or any other religious influences.

Looking sincerely at these facts, we must say that the present missionary appropriation is hardly adequate to the work already on our hands, and that an additional appropriation of not less than \$1,500 is necessary, not to increase the salaries of the preachers now in the field, but for new work only. We therefore pray and trust that God may so direct the members of the General Missionary Committee at their annual session that the best possible adjustment may be made in the interest of the North Pacific German Mission.

In conclusion we desire to express our regret at the fact that none of our honored Missionary Secretaries, on account of the many demands for their personal services elsewhere, could be present at the annual session of our mission, and thus obtain all necessary information concerning the growing importance of our work and its needs from actual observation. We hope, however, to have one of them with us at some future occasion, and hereby acknowledge with due appreciation all previous aid rendered us by the Missionary Society.

#### MISSIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS.

Superintendent.....	\$700	Portland, Second Church.....	\$315	Spokane .....	\$400
Centralia and Chehalis....	450	Ritzville .....	150	Spokane Circuit .....	145
Fairhaven and Whatcom....	475	Ridgefield and La Camas .....	875	Tacoma .....	175
Milwaukee .....	150	Salem .....	800	Walla Walla .....	889
Portland, First Church...	100	Seattle .....	840	Missions, 14; money, \$4,464.	



# STATISTICS OF NORTH PACIFIC GERMAN.

CIRCUIT OR STATION.	Members.	Probationers.	Adherents.	Average Attendance on Sunday Worship.	Adults Baptized.	Children Baptized.	No. of Sabbath-schools.	No. of Sabbath-Scholars.	No. of Churches and Chapels.	Estimated Value of Churches and Chapels.	No. of Halls and other rented Places of Worship.	No. of "Homes," or "Parsonages," or "Homes."	Estimated Value of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Debt on Real Estate.	Collected for Missionary Society.	Collected for other Benevolent Societies.	Collected for Self-Support.	Collected for Church Building and Repairing.	Contributed for other Local Purposes.
Bethany, Ore .....	10	2	150	35	..	..	1	35	..	..	1	..	..	..	\$6	..	\$25	..	..
Centralia, Wash .....	17	..	100	20	..	18	4	48	1	\$500	..	1	\$500	\$184	8	\$1	38	\$578	..
Fairhaven and Whatcom .....	7	2	100	25	..	7	..	..	1	1,400	..	..	..	500	15	7	20	864	\$6
Harrington, Wash .....	82	16	300	80	..	8	3	75	1	2,100	..	..	..	179	60	18	388	..	7
Milwaukee, Ore .....	48	27	250	70	..	3	6	75	2	3,200	..	..	..	370	37	13	287	..	31
Portland: First Church .....	48	16	800	60	..	5	1	47	1	7,000	..	1	1,500	..	116	9	550	62	20
Second Church .....	23	8	600	25	..	3	1	45	1	2,500	..	..	..	..	20	5	75	1,890	..
Ritzville, Wash .....	24	4	150	25	..	3	1	25	1	500	..	..	..	..	15	4	50	..	2
Salem, Ore .....	15	14	200	40	..	1	1	12	1	2,300	..	..	..	300	85	20	122	1,500	19
Seattle, Wash .....	27	4	600	25	1	9	1	35	1	5,000	..	1	1,200	1,483	25	12	300	..	45
Spokane, Wash .....	24	2	600	40	..	2	2	57	1	8,000	1	1	4,000	4,608	23	11	150	1,972	3
Spokane Circuit .....	21	3	250	30	..	5	2	37	1	200	..	..	..	..	11	8	114	25	2
Tacoma, Wash .....	59	5	800	80	..	8	2	100	1	4,500	1	..	..	..	62	22	500	2,100	65
Ridgefield, Wash .....	9	7	200	30	..	3	1	40	1	1,200	..	1	..	..	14	5	79	500	2
Walla Walla .....	14	4	100	25	..	3	1	20	2	2,000	..	1	1,200	400	20	9	110	..	4
Total .....	416	111	5,200	610	1	78	23	630	16	\$40,300	3	6	\$8,400	\$8,054	\$512	\$144	\$2,774	\$9,492	\$206

## NORTH-WEST NORWEGIAN AND DANISH.

Established in 1889.

UNDER SUPERVISION OF BISHOP FITZGERALD.

C. J. LARSEN, *Superintendent*.

Superintendent Larsen reports as follows :

The Oregon and Puget Sound District embraces ten charges, has ten church buildings, eight parsonages, of a total value of \$78,566. Two churches and three parsonages have been added to its numbers this year, at a cost of \$4,300. We have raised for self-support \$3,144; for improvement of church property, \$11,128; paid on old debt, \$1,700; collected for benevolent purposes, \$578. The membership in the district has not had the desired increase, and the statistics of this year will not show the same advance as that of last year. Last year the charges within the bounds of this district reported three hundred and nine members, an increase over the year before of one hundred and twelve. This year we report three hundred and forty-two members, an increase over last year of thirty-three. This can easily be accounted for when we consider the hard times and scarcity of work in the cities, where most of our charges are located, and which has compelled many of our people to move into the country, where they have secured land and will make for themselves homes, which will in the future be a benefit to themselves and the country; but at present it materially lessens our membership and congregations in the cities. Many of our members move into settlements where we have no church, and no prospect for any in the future; consequently they join the American Methodist churches, which is right and proper, and we encourage them so to do; but by it the membership in our mission is constantly lessened, and can only be filled and enlarged by new recruits. Then the peculiarity of our times in having an overrun of societies and organizations of various kinds, which divide and scatter the people in all directions of thought and work, good and bad, has also had its influence on this feature of our work.

This year's experiences have been similar to those of the past in that it is extremely difficult to gain our people for our Church. If half of those who have been converted in our meetings would unite with us we should be able to report a much larger increase, but the prejudice against the word "Methodist," the false view of our Church given them by the preachers of the old Church, the family ties, and old friendship are often too strong to be broken by love of right and truth. Yet it can be said to the glory of God that a goodly number have been gained for the Master and the Church this year.

The preachers have been faithful to their work, self-sacrificing and earnest in seeking the conversion of souls and the spiritual growth of God's

children. We have all been spared from death, so that to-day we are again permitted to gather at our Annual Meeting to give an account of our year's work. Some of our preachers have had a hard year financially, caused by loss of members and unsettled population, which has lessened the pastor's income. With these facts before us, and believing that the coming year will not bring any relief, but rather increase the embarrassment, we trust that the charges may receive an increased allowance of missionary money.

Looking over our church indebtedness, we believe that it is much too large, and feel a little worried as to its outcome. Yet we hope that with the increased mission appropriation we will be able to make special effort during the coming year to pay off a goodly part of the debt that now burdens many of our charges. Our church property is very valuable; the most of it is located in the central part of the cities, and has advanced in value to a large degree. Yet that does not pay the debt as long as it is occupied for church purposes. The Church Extension Society has been of inestimable value to our mission. We cannot praise too highly this society of our Church.

Our paper, *Vidnesbyrdet*, has had a hard struggle during the year, and its death has only been prevented by the earnest and consecrated efforts of our preachers. During the year it has changed its form from pamphlet to an eight-page paper, and is issued weekly. The paper is published largely in the interest of our young people. This has gained for it a large number of young friends. Rev. J. Jacobsen, the editor, has worked faithfully, and that without any compensation. The management has changed during the year from O. O. Twede to Rev. E. M. Stangeland. An incorporation was effected last March by the trustees who were elected at our last Annual Meeting. Last July the Tract Society of our Church kindly appropriated an annual allowance of \$300; for this we are very grateful, but we fear that it will not be sufficient to carry it through the year. We cannot afford to give up the paper. It is now indispensable to our work, and it is hoped that we shall receive such support that we shall not be compelled to discontinue it.

During the year we have been impressed with the great need of a theological school for our Norwegian-Danish students of this coast. The great expense of traveling to and from Evanston could support our young men for more than one year. Then we have many that would attend school here that cannot go East. We are glad to state that such arrangement is now on foot with the president and trustees of the Portland University that we see our way clear to build a school in connection with that institution, and so give our students the benefit of the greatest Methodist institution of learning on the Pacific coast. I would here recommend that a Board of Trustees be elected, consisting of five preachers and four laymen, that shall have full power to act and arrange with the Board of Trustees of said university.

*Fairhaven and Whatcom* is a new charge, and has had a prosperous year under the leadership of Rev. J. S. Anderson. During the winter quite

a number were converted, out of which five united with the church. During the year \$1,150 has been raised, out of which \$500 has been applied on old debts, \$300 has been used for interest, and \$350 for improvements. The church debt has been covered by a loan from the Church Extension Society. A Ladies' Aid Society has been organized, and by them an organ has been purchased and given to the church. A Sunday-school has also been started, and is in good running order. The pastor's family has had considerable sickness during the year, but we are glad to report them much better. At Whatcom we have not been able to do much yet; a few meetings have been held during the year. We hope soon to organize and hold regular services there.

*Port Townsend.* Rev. J. C. Paulsen was appointed to this charge last year, and entered upon his duties with vigor and earnestness, and for a time we hoped for great things. But soon hard times interfered; members and people left the city for other places, so that this year we do not report as many members as last year. We have here a valuable church property and a beginning on a parsonage. Brother Paulsen's relation as a preacher in traveling connection is discontinued, and we here testify that we believe him to be an earnest and sincere brother in Christ, and ask God's blessing on him and family.

*South Bend* has been ably supplied by Rev. C. Eriksen. This is the first year we have worked here, and we find it a very promising field. Brother Eriksen has secured two very eligible lots in the central part of the city, worth \$1,500. A beautiful church and parsonage is now under construction that will cost about \$2,500. The church will be ready for dedication in about two months.

We have during the year worked some among our people in Montesana, and find a splendid opening. A large number of them are scattered along the Chehalis Valley. At Aberdeen we have some five hundred of our people, and hope to begin work there during the coming year.

*Astoria.* Rev. C. Eriksen has labored here for two years, and the last has been the most successful of the two. The pastor and people have been as one heart in the work. The membership has had an increase of sixteen members, ten from probation and six by letter. The church property has been increased by a good and neat building of six rooms, at a cost of \$750. The benevolences have had a large increase over last year. The Sunday-school and Ladies' Aid Society are in good condition. The pastor's report will show an excellent work.

*La Center* has during the year been supplied by local preachers, and will be reported to the Conference by J. Christiansen, who is an earnest and faithful brother. This settlement, we believe, will soon have a large increase of settlers, as the land title, which has been in dispute, is now partly settled. We have here one acre of land and a neat church building.

*Albina.* This charge will, because of the consolidation of Portland, East Portland, Albina, and St. John, be called in the future Portland Second Church. Our property here is growing in value, and is now one of the best business corners in that part of the city. Considerable street



improvement has been done at an expense of \$261, and paid for. A good parsonage of five rooms, with all modern improvements, has been built during the year, costing \$800, which we consider very reasonable for such a building. The Ladies' Aid Society has donated to the church an elegant silver communion service. Rev. J. Jacobsen, the pastor, has labored earnestly for the spiritual and temporal welfare of the church, besides giving part of his time to our paper, *Vidnesbyrdet*.

*Mount Tabor and Reedwell* were in the first part of the year supplied by J. P. Hansen, a local preacher, who soon after left for the East. Since his departure it has been taken care of by Rev. E. M. Stangeland, who also has been the manager of our paper.

*Portland First Church* has been under the care of Rev. J. L. Erickson, who now closes his third year. During the winter considerable religious interest was manifested, and resulted in a goodly number of conversions. Some eighteen have been added to the church. A neat parsonage has been built during the year at a cost of \$1,100. The Sunday-school here is in splendid condition, and has had a healthy growth during the year.

*Tacoma* was left last year by Bishop J. P. Newman to be supplied. Rev. C. J. Lundegard was transferred from the Norwegian-Danish Conference and placed in charge. The year has been a successful one; quite a number have been converted during the year, and twenty-three have joined the church on probation and fourteen in full connection. The Young People's Society has been organized into an Epworth League, which is doing good work. The benevolent collections have reached beyond those of last year. The pastor has worked hard and faithfully for the welfare of his flock.

*Seattle*. Rev. L. Wally, preacher in charge, has had a year of prosperity. The pastor has taken good care of all the departments of the church. The membership has had an increase of twenty-one. The Young People's Society has been organized into an Epworth League. The Ladies' Aid Society has done nobly, assisting the pastor and stewards in their work. The bishop and preacher can see for themselves what splendid church property we have here, which is estimated at a value of \$19,000. During the year the trustees have built the three-story building on Olive Street next to the parsonage. This has been rented, and gives us an income of \$68 per month, which will pay our running expenses, and will aid in paying off our indebtedness. The pastor's report will be a credit to himself and the church.

Thus ends the review of this year's work on the Oregon and Puget Sound District. It is pleasant to be able to make note of the spirit of harmony that has existed among us as brethren, and to record the many acts of kindness received by me from preachers and people. The whitening harvest fields are before us, and renewed devotion must bring results. I pray always that the brightest measure of success may crown the ministry of my devoted associates in this work.

EASTERN WASHINGTON AND IDAHO DISTRICT.—Rev. C. N. Hauge, P.E.

A year ago it fell to my lot to be appointed presiding elder for Eastern Washington and Idaho District by our dear Bishop J. P. Newman. It was the greatest surprise that has ever befallen me. With fear and trembling and in prayer to God I accepted the call, as I believed it to be the will of the Lord. To the glory of God I can say that he has greatly blessed me in the work. On account of my pastoral relation with our congregation in Spokane I have not been able to spend so much of my time in traveling around to new places as well as among the other congregations as I should have liked; but, nevertheless, the efforts that have been made have not been in vain; by the blessing of the Lord they have borne fruits for eternity. One new place has been taken up which will be mentioned later on, and several others ought to be taken up next year if the necessary means can be had. Bear Creek Circuit, with church, has been handed over to the Swedish brethren, as the people there are all Swedes.

The protracted meetings held in the several churches through the district during last winter was a great blessing, and resulted in the salvation of several souls in each place.

During the month of June we had a camp-meeting in Blaine, which was of great blessing to the salvation of souls and the upbuilding of our Church.

We have also reason to feel thankful to our heavenly Father for his support and protection to the brethren and congregations. No accident has befallen them; peace and good-will are reigning every-where, and the cordial reception and sympathy bestowed on me in my own church as well as elsewhere has been a great help and encouragement in the work. Glory be to Jesus for the tie that binds the children of God and his servants together!

Concerning the different circuits I shall state as follows:

In *Blaine Circuit* Pastor M. P. Ellefsen has labored with great success; he has won the hearts of the people, and the teachings of our Church and her work are coming to be more and more appreciated and acknowledged. Also in financial matters our cause here stands on a good basis.

*Moscow* has had C. L. Westberg for pastor. He seems to have a strong inclination for building parsonages, as he built one last year and one this year. The reason was that by selling the one and building a smaller the church would pretty near be clear of debt. This congregation had a special visit of the Holy Ghost during our meetings last winter, and several precious souls were thoroughly converted. Brother Westberg's labors have been greatly blessed this year. At the same time as the work has been taken care of in this place, Bear Creek and Vollmer have also been visited—the latter being our new field, where a new church, through the labors of Brother Westberg and the liberality of the people, has been erected. The church with lot is worth \$1,000; it is 24 by 36, the tower being 50 feet in height; it was dedicated July 26 free from debt, and without help or loan

from our Church Extension Society. A congregation with six members in full connection and two on probation was organized, as was also a Sunday-school with fifteen children and twenty adults.

*Rockford*, or *Mica Peak*, has on account of a far too small appropriation, not had sufficient service and care, and consequently not much progress has been made. Pastor E. M. Stangeland visited the place, and there seemed to be quite an interest among the people for our church. Brother Stangeland was well liked, but on account of a change in the management of our paper, *Vidnesbyrdet*, he moved to Portland to take charge of that in connection with other matters. Since that time Brother O. O. Twede as well as myself has visited the place. The people show great interest for our cause, and I firmly believe that here will be a good field of labor for the future if more means and more work can be supplied. We have here a nice church and parsonage, and quite a large Sunday-school under the efficient and careful leadership of Sister Eastby.

Our congregation in *Spokane* has had a hard struggle this year, and the main reason for this has been, first, the financial press in our city at large, which has also been felt in our church, as most of our members have been without work. Quite a number of Scandinavians have left the city, and not less than eighteen of our congregation have removed to other places. A second reason is that my work as presiding elder has taken up a great deal of my time; so I find that in this connection the old proverb, "This one thing should be done and the others not neglected," cannot very well be applied; for while I was away at other places the church work at home was consequently neglected. I find it next to impossible to be pastor of our church in Spokane, not because of its size nor that it is a more difficult place than others, but because it takes a man's whole time and energy. The district needs considerable attention, so the loss is too great for the Church. The Lord has, nevertheless, been with us, so that several have been won for God and the Church.

*Ellensburg* was also added to this district, but as there were no means appropriated I could not send a man there, and decided to abide the time.

In closing my report I wish to express my sincere thanks to my heavenly Father for his great mercy and love to me and my family, and the many precious blessings he has bestowed upon us during the past year; also do I wish to thank my brethren in the ministry and their congregations for the love and sympathy which they have shown me.

May the blessings of our Lord rest upon our dear bishop, the brethren, and our whole mission, is the sincere wish of your fellow-laborer in Christ.





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### MISSIONARIES.

NAME.	CONFERENCE.	ADDRESS.
Baxter, Charles L.,	Colorado,	Salt Lake, Utah.
Billings, Melvin O.,	Colorado,	Scofield, "
Birchell, B. R.,	[Supply,]	Oxford, Idaho.
Carr, Edward E.,	Illinois,	Park City, Utah.
Crowther, William,	West Nebraska,	Monroe, "
Gillilan, James D.,	Ohio,	Nephi, "
Graff, Edward C.,	Illinois,	Beaver, "
Hansen, Nils L.,	Colorado,	Ephraim, "
Heckner, Christian J.,	Colorado,	Salt Lake, "
Hedges, David T.	S.-E. Indiana,	Tooele, "
Hill, J. Wesley,	New England,	Ogden, "
Hunt, Emmett,	Upper Iowa,	Salt Lake, "
Iliff, Thomas C.,	Colorado,	Salt Lake, "
Jayne, George E.,	New York,	Ogden, "
Jeffrey, George M.,	Des Moines,	Provo, "
Johnson, Henry,	Montana,	Eldorado, "
Johnson, Nils P.,	[Supply,]	Ogden, "
Jones, Harvey A.,	St. Louis,	Logan, "
Mabry, W. D.,	Upper Iowa,	Salt Lake, "
Melby, Peter N.,	[Supply,]	Levan, "
Mork, Emil E.,	Colorado,	Provo, "
Nelson, Martinus,	Colorado,	Salt Lake, "
Olsen, Joseph,	Norwegian and Danish,	Hyrum, "
Olsen, Lars,	Montana,	St. Charles, Idaho.
Paulsen, Peter A.,	Colorado,	Richfield, Utah,
Smith, Robert T.,	St. Louis,	Payson, "
Snow, Eugene H.,	Central Ohio,	Heber, "
Streeter, G. O.,	[Supply,]	Corenna, "
Telfer, John,	Indiana,	Salt Lake, "
Wilkes, Joseph,	Montana,	Mt. Pleasant, "
Waynick, G. C.,	Des Moines,	Salt Lake, "

### ASSISTANT MISSIONARIES.

Mrs. Baxter,	Mrs. Hill,	Mrs. Nelson,
" Carr,	" Iliff,	" Olsen,
" Crowther,	" Jayne,	" Paulsen,
" Gillilan,	" Jeffrey,	" Smith,
" Graff,	" Johnson,	" Snow,
" Hansen,	" Jones,	" Telfer,
" Heckner,	" Mabry,	" Wilkes,
" Hedges,	" Mork,	" Waynick.

## TEACHERS.

## GENERAL ENGLISH WORK.

*Beaver Seminary*, Edward C. Graff, Kate Hall. *Benson*, A. W. Hartshorn, Cannon, Stella Herbert. *Grantsville*, Lois Smith. *Greenwich*, Frances Dailey. *Heber*, to be supplied. *Marysville*, Lulu Christian. *Murray*, to be supplied. *Nephi*, L. M. Gillilan, Miss McVey. *Oxford*, M. O. Billings. *Payson*, *Iliff Academy*, R. T. Smith, Thomas Scott, G. H. Bradford, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Bradford. *Salt Lake Seminary*, C. L. Baxter, V. B. Doliver. M. A. Locke, H. A. Turner, Edith Smith, Fanny Lincoln, C. M. Wood, Mrs. Baxter.

## SCANDINAVIAN WORK.

## TEACHERS UNDER THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

*Hyrum*, Belle Peterson. *Santaquin*, Louise Albertson. *Levan*, P. N. Melby. *Brigham City*, Amilie Peterson.

## TEACHERS UNDER THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

*Logan*, Addie Sweet; assistant, Stella Arnold. *Salt Lake City*, Julia Iverson. *Provo*, Bergliot Hansen. *Spanish Fork*, Etta Breed. *Moroni*, Mary Jensen. *Mount Pleasant*, Nora Omenn. *Spring City*, Tenie Winters. *Richfield*, Alice Rowe; assistant, Julia Peterson. *Elsinore*, Christine Larsen.

## WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY WORKERS.

*Salt Lake City*, Mary Iversen, Kittie C. Dunn. *San Pete Valley*, Mrs. Jennie M. Hansen.

## GENERAL STATEMENT.

The superintendent, Dr. Iliff, begins his general statement in the words with which he closed last year. Then follows extracts from report of Committee on Condition of Affairs in Utah adopted at last Annual Meeting, also utterances of Chief-Justice Zane in his article, "The Death of Polygamy in Utah." All indicate a most encouraging and hopeful outlook.

Let the Church thank God and take courage. The long night is past. The sun is up. The Methodist Episcopal Church has had much to do in bringing about the day-dawn in Utah. Let her take no backward step at the moment of her greatest opportunity. Doors are now open to us everywhere. "Come over and help us" is heard from a hundred outposts, and six counties, with their thousands of people, have not a Christian minister in them. God help us, and that right early. Amen!

The Committee on Condition of Affairs in Utah reported as follows at our Annual Meeting in June:

1. During the past year we have advanced along all lines. The reports from various points in the field show that the members of the mission have

been loyal to the interests of the Church and devoted to the work of God. There is no field in which error is so great, superstition so gross, and bigotry so arrogant. Mormonism has come into these valleys intending to stay. It has thrown up fortifications that are almost impregnable. No sooner is it driven from one point than it retreats to another equally difficult of approach. Occasionally some of its forces desert the cause, but generally they are re-taken, enrolled under the banner of infidelity, and fight more fiercely against the Church of God. The struggle has been long and severe, but the Lord hath gotten us many victories. In some fields that have been occupied for many years with little encouragement, the reports for the present year are exceedingly hopeful. The cause of God is moving firmly onward. Unwavering faith, earnest work, and patient waiting are the chief factors in winning men to righteousness. We hope in the near future to plant the banner of Immanuel in all this vast domain, to have a church in every town consecrated to God's worship, and to hear the shouts of victory resound throughout the land.

2. During the past year Mormonism has officially declared against the practice of polygamy, but as the belief remains that polygamy is right as a principle, and we believe that the practice is discontinued for political advantage only, we will await future developments with much interest.

I quote approvingly from an article by Judge Charles S. Zane, Chief-Justice of Utah, in the *Forum* for November, 1891: "From the realities of the past, among conditions differing widely from those of to-day, many Gentiles fear that the Mormons will return to the old practices and ways of Brigham Young and others of his time. To these people I say that the face of Utah is toward the sun. The darkness is at her back. She is not on the retreat. We are climbing the hills of progress; higher plains and brighter lights are ahead, and I trust we shall all get clearer and better views of human duty. A better feeling is growing, prejudice and hate are loosing their grip—slowly, it must be conceded. But I have no doubt that confidence, good-will, and harmony will be restored sooner or later, and that ere long these valleys and mountains will be the home of a patriotic, harmonious, progressive, and great people."

Bishops Andrews and Ninde, and Dr. Buckley, at the General Missionary Meeting at Cleveland, clearly and truthfully set forth the fact that our Church had done very much in bringing about the glorious light in Utah, and in changing the thought and character of the people.

As superintendent I have visited every part of the mission, except Albion, Ida., but as my associates in the presiding eldership will represent their respective fields, I need only detail my own district. The Salt Lake District covers an area equal in size to all of New England, or all of New York and West Virginia.

*Beaver* is well to the south, two hundred and fifty miles from Salt Lake, to which the pastor of last year, Edward C. Graff, was returned. Brother and Sister Graff had great sorrow in the death of her father, whose remains they accompanied to the old home in Illinois.

The church building has been greatly improved by papering and paint-

ing at a cost of \$75. The school at Beaver has been taught by Miss Nora A. Spencer. The total attendance was fifty, which is much smaller than the preceding year, owing to the changed condition of the public schools. Four or five teachers in the public schools were non-Mormons, and two, including the principal, were Methodists. Value of church property, \$2,500; collected for missions, \$25; church extension, \$10; support of ministry, \$25; school tuition, \$25; all other purposes, \$75.

*Heber* had no regular pastor the first half of the year, but the teacher, Miss Ella Young, held services every Sunday and conducted weekly prayer-meetings. Brother Carr assisted in special meetings during February which resulted in a general religious awakening, the conversion of some twenty-five or thirty souls, and the organization of a strong class. The school had an enrollment of seventy-five, and much praise is due Miss Young, now Mrs. Carr, for her earnest and efficient work on all lines. Value of church property, \$2,000; collected for missions, \$10; church extension, \$5; support of ministry, \$10; school tuition, \$15; all other purposes, \$65. E. H. Snow has been pastor since June.

*Nephi.* The work here was opened eighteen months ago, and last July the present pastor, J. D. Gillilan, of the Ohio Conference, took charge. He began church and school work in an old forsaken saloon, but with his well-known ability and energy, a beautiful brick building soon began to materialize, and the year closes with the church completed, a school enrollment of sixty-nine, and a class of six members organized. Value of church property, \$3,500; collected for missions, \$10; church extension, \$5; support of the ministry, \$2.50; school tuition, \$175; all other purposes, \$550.

*Monroe* has a neat church and parsonage, built in strict keeping with the following agreement: "I hereby acknowledge the receipt of \$500 from J. M. Buckley, the said \$500 being received by said Buckley to be apportioned to the erection of a memorial church and parsonage, the site to be selected by C. C. McCabe, and the money to be divided between said church and parsonage, which conditions I pledge myself to see fulfilled." The pastor, W. H. Crowther, is a member of the West Nebraska Conference, earnest and capable. With the building of railroads and the opening of mines hundreds of people are moving that way, and the field becomes a very important one. Value of church and parsonage property, \$2,000; collected for support of ministry, \$4.90.

*Greenwich* is the point farthest to the south-east occupied by any church. It is truly an outpost, but it has been as heroically guarded as a central station. Miss Frances Dailey has been builder, preacher, teacher, janitor, presiding elder, and I know not what else. Mr. Parker donated us twenty acres of land, a school building and equipments, and pledged part of teacher's salary. The growth of the school necessitated the enlargement of the building, which was cheerfully done by the people. Also an organ has been bought, and better still, a thousand pound bell to ring out God's praise from valley to mountain. Collected for missions, \$10; church extension, \$5; support of ministry, \$10; other purposes, \$150.



*Mt. Pleasant* is beautifully located in San Pete Valley, the granary of Utah. This important field has been well taken care of by R. L. Steed, of the Illinois Conference. A group of towns adjacent to Mt. Pleasant makes this a desirable field for any one who enjoys circuit work. There are church buildings at Mt. Pleasant, Moroni, Spring City, and Ephraim, connected with our Scandinavian work. Fifty dollars were collected for missions; \$16 for church extension; \$97 for support of the ministry; and \$73 for other purposes.

*Murray* has been supplied in part by Mr. Wanlass, an efficient layman, and others, but mostly by Miss Stella Herbert, teacher. Miss Herbert has the energy and the ability and the faith that always succeeds. Her health is not rugged and I gave her permission to go East before the Annual Meeting on the advice of her physician. The school enrollment was seventy; value of property, \$1,200; collected for missions, \$20; church extension, \$10; support of ministry, \$20.

*Payson* is a growing town of three thousand people. Owing largely to the fact that the Presbyterians have a mission here, we remained out of the place for years. An earnest appeal backed by pledges of support led us to decide fifteen months ago that here was an open door to us. Rev. R. T. Smith, of the St. Louis Conference, arrived in Payson, April, 1890, and while I would not disparage the work done by any of my brethren, Brother Smith has wrought marvelously.

A central lot was secured at once on which to erect a church and school building, at a cost of \$500, now valued at \$1,500. The corner-stone of the edifice was laid less than a year ago by Bishop Ninde, and the building occupied for church and school purposes in October. The Iliff Academy closes the first year with an enrollment of one hundred and twenty-one pupils, with the promise of a very large increase the coming year. Brother and Sister Smith, Miss Bloodgood, and Miss Nelson deserve much praise for their untiring zeal and successful management, and for the gratifying success of the church and school enterprise at Payson. Value of property, \$4,500; collected for missions, \$15; church extension, \$10; school tuition, \$600; support of ministry, \$11; building, \$900; other purposes, \$400.

*Park City* is the chief mining center of Utah and continues to increase its output of the precious metal. Methodism has kept pace with the steady growth of the town. We began our work here eight years ago with a missionary appropriation of \$800. Now the church becomes self-supporting and will probably pay its pastor \$1,000. Rev. John Telfer, of the Indiana Conference, has been the pastor for the past two years. Value of church property, \$3,000; collected for missions, \$100; church extension, \$40; ministerial support, \$987; other purposes, \$400.

*Provo.* The pastor, Rev. G. M. Jeffrey, of the Des Moines Conference, has closed his third year and comes to Annual Meeting with his colors flying at the top-mast. He is justly proud of the success of the past year. He and his wife have worked and sacrificed for this day-dawn. A few of his people have been on the field since the mission was first opened

nineteen years ago. To them the joy of the victory must be unspeakable. A new church, a new parsonage, a glorious revival, treble the membership, double the Sunday-school, and quadruple the congregation are some of the results Brother and Sister Jeffrey can point to. Value of property, \$6,000; collected for missions, \$47; church extension, \$25; support of ministry, \$335; other purposes, \$400.

*Salt Lake City, First Church.* Perhaps no church in the connection is more widely known than First Church, Salt Lake City, and I doubt if any church has a greater opportunity of doing good. Its history is a checkered one. Its days of struggle began with Methodist history in Utah. It has come up through great tribulation. Thank God it was never abandoned and has at last made a landing! Most of those who were first in the fight have either fallen in the battle or retired from the field. A few, however, are still among us to join in the shout of glorious victory.

September 1, 1890, Rev. W. D. Mabry, of the Upper Iowa Conference, was appointed to this charge, the superintendent having supplied during the months of July and August, during which time forty-nine persons united with the church. For the nine months of Brother Mabry's pastorate there have been two hundred and one additions, an even two hundred and fifty for the Conference year. The congregations have usually filled the audience-room, mornings and evenings, to overflowing. The Sunday-school has about doubled, and the Epworth League has reached a membership of one hundred and fifty. Value of church property, \$75,000; collected for missions, \$500; church extension, \$140; other benevolences, \$60; support of ministry, \$2,500; incidentals and improvements, \$1,500.

Iliff Church is admirably located in the north-eastern part of the city, and is destined to be a strong self-supporting charge in the near future. Rev. E. E. Carr, of the Illinois Conference, has been the pastor since October, 1889. He is a young man of large natural endowments, intellectually and physically, full of zeal and the Holy Ghost. His active mind, vigorous body, aggressive determination, and sincere devotion to the Master impel in him a desire and a determination for souls that never forsake him. The membership of his church, though not large, partake of his earnestness and are enthusiastically alive to both the religious and temporal interests of the church. Value of church property, \$7,500; collected for missions, \$30; church extension, \$20; improvements, \$388; support of ministry, \$275.

*Salt Lake Seminary.* The year closing has been the best in its history. Five regular teachers have been employed, and of each it may be said, "Duty done." Davis Hall and the boarding department have had the successful and popular management of Mrs. C. L. Baxter. Total enrollment, 199; average attendance, 103; total enrollment last year, 185; average attendance, 71; increase in average attendance, 45 per cent. Tuition present year, \$1,753.70 to date; last year, \$1,134.95; increase, 55 per cent. Boarding students present year, 25; last year, 14. Total expended on improvements the past two years, \$1,680.

*Tooele Circuit* has four preaching-places—Tooele and Grantsville, agri-

cultural towns, and Stockton and Ophir, mining camps. Rev. G. T. Wetzel, probationer in the Illinois Conference, has been in charge. Brother Wetzel is of German parentage, and is of studious habits and independent ideas. In addition to the heavy circuit work he consented to teach the Stockton public school. An attack of the grippe in February, aggravated by exposure and overwork, has left his health seriously impaired. Our school at Tooele was taught by Rev. T. D. Hedges, of the Southeast Indiana Conference; at Grantsville by Miss McCollum, employed by the W. H. M. Society. Value of property on the circuit, \$3,500; collected for missions, \$25; support of ministry, \$110; other purposes, \$22.

OGDEN DISTRICT.—G. E. Jayne, P.E.

*Albion, Idaho*, is the farthest point north. Here we have a brick church valued at \$2,000. The parsonage has been completed this year, and about \$300 has been raised and paid on old indebtedness and parsonage improvements, leaving an indebtedness of about \$66, which amount is provided for in part by good subscriptions. Brother Snow has labored here and his work has been crowned with some conversions and accessions. The Sunday-school numbers forty. The benevolences are as follows: missions, \$18; church extension, \$8; education, \$3; Freedmen's Aid, \$1.

*Corinne* is a little town about thirty miles north of Ogden. Here we have a church and parsonage. The town has for some years been largely depopulated, but there is now prospect of returning growth and prosperity on account of new water supply made certain by the Bear River Canal Company. The new canal is completed at a cost of \$1,000,000, and will bring water through a great stretch of country, giving new life to many towns that have been lying dead for years. We have visited Corinne several times this year and preached to scores of people who have been hungering for the Gospel. At their own suggestion a subscription was taken at my last visit to repair the church and keep it from decay. This place is being supplied by G. O. Streeter.

*Benson* is a town about fifty miles north of Ogden. We dedicated a little chapel here two years ago. The school has been the most productive part of the work. Several young ladies have been converted and received later into the Ladies' Home at Logan, where they have attended school and have been of great value to our church work at that place. These conversions have abundantly rewarded us for all the expenditure and toil in this Mormon community.

At *Oxford* we have had a very prosperous year. The day-school has been managed by Mrs. H. A. Jones, the wife of the pastor, and has had an enrollment of forty-seven. Since the organization of this school six have been prepared for teaching and have gone from it as efficient teachers into other communities. Sister Jones has directed an enthusiastic temperance work during the year, waging a great warfare on the saloons. But one saloon remains and the keeper of it promises to give up his business. All the children under her influence have signed the

pledge and strong men who were addicted to drink are now total abstainers. For tuitions, \$166; missions, \$30; church extension, \$20.

*Logan* is about sixty miles north of Ogden, and is a town of about six thousand people. We have a new Methodist church here, just completed, but not yet dedicated. The building, finished and furnished, cost about \$6,500.

The whole Methodist property is probably worth \$20,000. There have been several accessions this year and two very remarkable conversions, both men who were slaves of the cup. For missions, \$50; for church extension, \$30. I have made six visits to Logan during the year.

*Ogden*. This is the largest and most important work on the district. We have a church here nearly completed which will cost \$65,000. Brother Hill reports that six or eight thousand dollars more than he has in sight will pay off all the indebtedness. Special services have been held resulting in some thirty accessions to the church. During the special effort I was with the pastor two weeks and have preached here fourteen times during this year.

*Five Points* is two and a half miles north of the Ogden post-office, on the motor line but within the corporate limits of the city. Dr. Iliff and myself looked over this field and concluded it would be a good thing to build here, but feared we could not get more than \$600 on the ground for this purpose. I started a subscription list which has grown during the year to nearly \$4,000, including the value of the lots which have been donated. We have a property valued at \$5,000, which would have been paid for by the aid rendered by the Church Extension Society, had it not been for the stringency in the money market and the failure of several business men who had subscribed liberally. I believe, however, I can collect enough of the remaining subscriptions to pay all the indebtedness except about four or five hundred dollars. We expect on the day of dedication to raise this amount.

*Weston* is twenty miles south of Oxford. The people have been asking us to help them to establish a school for several years. It is likely we could have a school here of forty pupils. I was announced to preach here about three weeks hence and had a house full on a week-night. Out of a hundred about ninety were Mormons.

*Cannon* is on the boundary-line between Utah and Idaho. Here the people have built a school-house and our teacher has more than can be made comfortable. A chapel is being built, and will be completed and paid for by January 1, 1892.

Missionaries on the district, 10; value of church property, \$100,000; number of accessions, 152; membership, 400; raised for missions, \$298; raised for church extension, \$113; raised for pastoral support, \$2,300.

Much land is to be possessed. There have been revival efforts in every charge with conversions and accessions. No one knows the difficulties of this work like those who are on the field. When obstacles are overcome others arise. The devil from the beginning has opposed every forward movement of the Church and mightily resisted and contested every effort



at evangelization, but the continual pouring in of gospel truth and light for twenty years has produced a marvelous reformation and prepared the way for greater gospel triumphs.

We have no misgivings as to the final outcome. We are here to win. We know that this land has been redeemed, and we wait with expectancy and with a faith that is triumphant for the "sound of the goings" that shall bring showers of pentecostal blessings to the thousands of Utah.

NORWEGIAN AND DANISH DISTRICT.—Rev. Martinus Nelson, P.E.

The Norwegian and Danish District of the Utah Mission is a very large one in area, extending from Bear Lake Valley, Idaho, at the north to Sevier Valley in the south, a distance of about four hundred miles. In reporting the work I shall begin at the extreme south and gradually advance northward.

*Richfield and Elsinore.* Rev. P. A. Paulsen was appointed to this work a year ago last July, and re-appointed at the late Annual Meeting. In spite of his impaired health he has carried the work forward with faith, prayer, and determination. Old debts have been paid; \$92.50 raised for self-support, \$34 for missions, \$16 for church extension. The lot purchased last year at a cost of \$900 has been paid for by P. A. H. Franklin, but we have not been able to proceed with the building of the proposed seminary. At Elsinore the work has been more encouraging this year than ever. The congregations there are large and attentive. We have good schools both at Richfield and Elsinore supported by the W. H. M. S. During the last two months Brother Paulsen's health failed rapidly. He had suffered with consumption for some time, but when typhoid fever also attacked him he finally succumbed, and died peacefully and triumphantly November 21, 1891. Among his last words were these: "There is not a cloud between me and God."

*Ephraim Circuit.* This charge embraces four preaching-places, namely, Moroni, Mount Pleasant, Ephraim, and Spring City. We have good church property at each of these places and all out of debt. The chapel at Moroni has been painted this year and a new fence erected, inclosing the entire lot. The parsonage at Ephraim has been repaired and two rooms added to it. Rev. N. L. Hansen, the pastor, was appointed to this field last year. Soon after entering upon his work he took very seriously ill with pneumonia and rheumatic fever and was brought near to death's door; but I am glad to say that by God's blessing he was restored to health after several months of sickness. Brother Hansen is a faithful worker, earnestly trying to redeem the time. The school at Ephraim was suspended last fall for want of sufficient patronage. The schools at Moroni, Spring City, and Mount Pleasant, under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, are well attended and very helpful to the work. There has been raised this year for self-support about \$75; for missions and church extension, \$50.

*Levan.* Brother J. R. Swenson supplied this place until the Annual Meeting, and also taught the day-school. Since that time it has been

under the care of Rev. P. N. Malby. Brother Malby has recently been sorely afflicted by the death of his beloved wife and two little children, but with the faith and patience of a Christian he is pushing the work forward. The Sunday-school is well attended. The church property has been repaired. Collections have been taken for several benevolent purposes. I am impressed that the outlook is good for spiritual work at Levan.

*Provo and Spanish Fork Circuit.* Rev. E. E. Mork is the missionary. This is a difficult and trying field. The gospel seed has been sown for a number of years with comparatively small results, but there are many things at present that point to better days soon to come, and the pastor feels confident of a near harvest. The Woman's Home Missionary Society sustains a school at Provo and one at Spanish Fork. The Missionary Society supports a school at Santaquin. These schools have been very prosperous. The Sunday-schools are good. About \$30 has been raised for missions, and \$12 for church extension.

*Jordan Valley Circuit.* Rev. John Hansen was appointed to this new field at the last Annual Meeting. In December he left the work on the circuit. Rev. C. J. Heckner was then transferred from Ogden to the Jordan Valley Circuit and served it until the Annual Meeting. Missionary collection, \$10; church extension, \$5.

*Salt Lake City.* This church was served by myself during the past year until the Annual Meeting, when Rev. C. J. Heckner was appointed its pastor. I endeavored to devote as much of my time and strength as possible to this work, in addition to the duties of the district. I have had valuable assistance from the pastor on the Jordan Valley Circuit, who filled the pulpit and led prayer-meetings in my absence. We received twelve by church letter and five on probation. Revival-meetings were held during the month of January, and the church greatly quickened. Our Sunday-school this year raised for missions by collection \$15.50, and by "willing worker cards" \$5.60. Our total collection for missions and church extension is \$61, that being the amount of our assessment in full. There has been raised for the pastor's support \$130, and for improvements \$125. The young people's meeting is well attended, and the day-school this year has had an enrollment of seventy-six.

*Ogden and Brigham City.* Rev. C. J. Heckner was assigned to open the work at Ogden, and remained there until January, when he was transferred to the Jordan Valley Circuit. We have not any church property at Ogden, but are in hopes of building a church this year. Raised for missions, \$25; for church extension, \$10. We have church property at Brigham City valued at \$1,000, a Sunday-school, and a promising day-school. Rev. N. P. Johnson is the pastor.

*Logan and Hyrum.* Rev. O. Christensen was transferred from the Norwegian and Danish Conference to take charge of this work about a year ago, but he was almost immediately stricken with mountain fever, and died after a few weeks of severe suffering. Since his death we were unable to secure a regular pastor until the Annual Meeting, but the presid-

ing elder, aided by several of the preachers, supplied the work as much as possible. A beautiful new church at Hyrum was dedicated in August. The collection for missions and church extension was \$11. The Rev. Joseph Olsen, of the Norwegian and Danish Conference, is now the pastor, and has entered upon the work with enthusiasm and faith.

The outlook at Logan is more hopeful than ever.

*Ovid Circuit.* Rev. L. Olsen is the pastor. This church is in Bear Lake County, southern Idaho, and embraces three preaching-places. A lot was donated at Ovid last year for church purposes, on which a neat church has been erected at a cost of about \$900. At St. Charles we have bought a centrally located lot, and hope to build a church this summer.

#### RECAPITULATION.

Collected for missions, \$201; increase over last year, \$24; collected for church extension, \$88; increase over last year, \$11; collected for self-support, \$450; increase over last year, \$129; collected for improvements, \$1,118.06; collected for current expenses, \$289; church property, \$45,725; day-schools, 12; children in day-schools, 606; children in Sunday-schools, 393; missions, 9; teachers, 14; lady missionaries, 2.

The long travels and exposures have at times drawn heavily on my physical strength; but I have enjoyed the work, and have been greatly blessed in it.

#### COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	1884.	1888.	1889.	1890.	1891.
Missionaries.....	10	25	26	28	33
Teachers.....	16	40	40	37	40
Churches.....	8	28	30	35	36
Parsonages.....	4	10	10	13	13
Members and probationers.	210	550	749	1,310	1,400
Sunday-schools.....	8	30	31	36	35
Officers and scholars.....	640	1,600	1,708	2,196	2,225
Day-schools.....	7	24	26	28	25
Day scholars.....	560	1,400	1,514	1,579	1,470
Scholars of Mormon parentage.....	302	970	1,083	1,137	1,000
Hearers.....	1,000	5,000	7,000	9,800	10,000
Value of church and school property.....	\$67,900	\$170,000	\$301,705	\$482,925	\$501,775
Self-support.....	1,360	2,800	3,450	6,866	7,960
For missions.....	168	650	740	1,260	1,326
Church extension.....	15	200	200	300	493
Paid for building and improving.....	....	....	17,778	45,610	24,723
Other benevolences, school tuition, and other purposes.....	....	....	....	5,237	3,329

## MISSIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS.

GENERAL ENGLISH WORK.		Ogden: Second Church.	\$650	Hyrum and Logan.....	\$550
Salt Lake District.....	\$500	Oxford and Cannon....	800	Jordan Valley.....	500
Beaver.....	500	Incidentals.....	287	Levan.....	100
Bingham.....	200			Ogden and Brigham....	400
Heber.....	400		\$9,027	Ovid and St. Charles....	480
Monroe.....	503			Provo and Spanish Fork..	700
Mount Pleasant.....	560	ENGLISH SCHOOLS.		Richfield.....	500
Murray.....	800	Beaver School.....	\$100	Salt Lake City.....	700
Neph and Eureka.....	740	Benson School.....	200	Superintendent.....	150
Park City (self-support- ing).....		Common School.....	220	Incidentals.....	241
Payson.....	600	Greenwich School.....	260		
Provo.....	560	Grantsville School.....	860		\$5,846
Salt Lake: First Church (self-supporting).....		Heber School.....	200	SCANDINAVIAN SCHOOLS.	
Salt Lake: Cliff Chapel...	400	Neph Seminary.....	900	Hyrum School.....	\$350
Salt Lake: First Church Missions.....	500	Payson Seminary.....	1,080	Brigham School.....	350
Ecchfield and Castle Gate.	200	Salt Lake Seminary.....	2,000	Levan School.....	350
Tooele.....	400	Marysville School.....	250	Santaquin School.....	250
Ogden District.....	300	Oxford School.....	200	Incidentals.....	89
Albion.....	200	Superintendent of Mission.	800		
Corinne.....	70	Incidental and contingent	872		\$1,889
Logan.....	600		\$6,942		
Montpelier.....	200	SCANDINAVIAN WORK.		Missions, 83; schools, 15;	
Ogden: First Ch'h (self- supporting).....		Scandinavian District...	\$500	money, \$22,704.	
		Ephraim.....	525		



# STATISTICS OF UTAH.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAP- TISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.										SUNDAY- SCHOOLS.				BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.								MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.			
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. of Children Baptized.	No. of Adults Baptized.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on Old Indebted- ness on Church Prop- erty.	Present Indebtedness on Church Property.	Current Expenses (Sex- ton, Light, Fuel, etc.)	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all Ages.	MISSIONS.		For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday-School Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society.	For Education.	For American Bible Society.	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Woman's Home Missionary Society.	For Pastor, House Rent, Bishops.			Conference Claimants.	
																		From Churches.	From Sunday- schools.													
<i>Salt Lake District.</i>																																
Beaver.....	4	8			7		1	\$1,800		...	\$75	...	\$300	\$15	1	4	55	\$20	..	\$5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	\$40	..	
Eureka.....		11	1				1	800		350	30	...	...	25	1	8	60	5	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	58	..	
Monroe.....	2	15	2		8		1	1,500	1	\$400	49	...	...	37	2	5	70	6	\$44	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Mount Pleasant.....	1	4	1				1	3,000		...	550	...	...	120	1	13	30	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Nepshl.....	26	62	2		16		1	2,500		1,100	150	100	900	200	1	5	175	40	60	40	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	978	3	
Park City.....	3	7	1		9		1	4,500	1	2,500	150	...	1,100	200	1	10	100	10	5	10	\$1	\$1	10	1	1	1	1	\$1	11	..		
Payson.....	16	59	1		9		1	3,500	1	2,500	725	...	...	198	1	5	100	23	24	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	380	..	
Provo.....	30	360	3		4		1	75,000		...	833	150	250	650	1	20	250	400	100	140	5	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2075	..	
Salt Lake City: First Church..	13	33			7		8	7,500		...	75	...	...	22	2	9	75	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	275	..	
High Chapel.....		21			6		3	3,500		...	...	...	...	..	1	8	65	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	110	..	
Tooele.....																														..	..	
Murray.....																														..	..	
<i>Ogden District.</i>																																
Albion.....	5	7					1	2,000	1	600	28	276	66	35	1	3	35	15	3	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	30	..	
Logan.....	3	16			6		2	15,000	1	4,500	500	...	4,000	15	1	5	25	50	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	96	..	
Ogden.....	32	328	3		9		6	90,000	1	3,000	15,000	...	18,000	730	1	16	174	150	50	55	8	1	1	10	8	5	2	2	2,700	..		
Ogden Circuit.....		14					1	5,000		4,000	...	...	400	..		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Oxford and Weston.....	8	6			2		1	1,500		...	60	...	...	12	1	5	45	30	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	..	
Heber.....	17	11			1		1	1,500		...	...	...	...	15	1	5	35	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	
<i>Scandinavian District.</i>																																
Ephraim and Mt. Pleasant...	12	24					4	6,200	2	1,450	254	...	1,000	25	2	2	77	50	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	73	..	
Hyrum.....	13	6					1	2,000	1	800	30	...	300	20	1	2	30	6	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	50	..	
Jordan Valley.....												...	...	..				10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Levan.....							1	1,000		...	35	...	...	..				8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	
Ogden and Brigham City.....	1	5					1	1,000		...	25	...	...	..				8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	50	..	
Ovid.....		3					1	1,350		...	950	...	350	20	1	1	12	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	
Provo and Spanish Fork.....	14	10					3	3,500	1	...	12	...	12	30	3	5	72	23	7	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	132	..	
Richfield and Elsinore.....	10	30			3		1	625		...	17	36	20	38	2	9	124	34	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	130	..	
Salt Lake City.....	10	36	1		2		1	25,000	1	1,000	125	...	1,500	125	1	4	40	23	21	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	
Total.....	229	1,078	610		74	23	32	361,900	10	14,875	24,723	552	27,458	2,438	81	151	1,784	1,035	343	498	15	12	83	53	69	10	12	..	7,280	2		
Last year.....	205	847	12	6	48	22	29	204,935	12	16,125	39,866	1,420	10,393	2,699	81	145	1,702	1,076	234	813	18	9	44	54	68	2	7	..	7,405	8		

NOTE.—Mission property in Salt Lake City and Ogden, \$225,000.

## WYOMING.

Organized as a Mission in 1888.

BISHOP ANDREWS HAS EPISCOPAL SUPERVISION.

### APPOINTMENTS.

D. L. RADER, *Superintendent*. (P.-O., Cheyenne.)

*Almy*, O. L. Ramsey. *Buffalo*, H. H. Austin. *Carbon*, W. L. Wilson. *Cheyenne*, Samuel Weir. *Douglas*, R. J. Davenport. *Evanston*, W. H. Pierce. *Lagrange*, C. D. Day. *Lander*, T. W. Jeffrey. *Laramie*, N. H. Lee. *Rawlins*, G. A. W. Cage, Jr. *Rock Springs*, Benjamin Young. *Sheridan*, J. H. Gillespie. *Sheridan Circuit*, to be supplied. *Sundance*, Melvin Nichols. *Sundance Circuit*, O. B. Chassell. *Uva*, M. A. Rader.

Rev. D. L. Rader, Superintendent, reports as follows :

This year has been a short one, but full of most blessed opportunities, hard labor, and many encouraging visible results. The year has been one in which the Master has been so lovingly and sensibly near us that all darkness has been dispelled by his light, all toil made delightful by his strength, and all crosses joyful on account of his fellowship. Some difficulties we have had, but no more than we ought to expect when we remember that all life means development, and development implies more or less antagonism. Our population contains representatives of many nationalities, and nearly all the other States of the Union. These came from varied churchly associations and religious customs. It is a wonder, with our intense activities and our rapid transition, that there is not more friction and greater difficulty. It is but natural that we should differ in our opinions as to the best methods of meeting such daring and aggressive foes as confront us. After the natural inclinations the various dispositions will be inclined to undermine, to slowly seize, and to storm the citadel of our enemies. With less tenacity for our own methods and more of the spirit of the Master, these differences will be adjusted and we will move on toward sure and certain victory. We need, too, to keep in mind that our foes are our Father's wayward children, and our mission is to save and not crush them. Our greatest achievements will be to verify the statement of Caleb and Joshua : "They are bread for us." We must, by the power of Christ, capture souls and make flaming apostle Pauls of them. We came to this Conference rejoicing that our labor has not been devoid of these results—not all that we had hoped for, nor to the measure we expect in the immediate future, but with glad hearts that the results are as they are.

We have a vast field, larger than New York and Pennsylvania, with resources varied and abundant. For this vast field we have had but seventeen ministerial laborers during the past year. Though this is an increase

of nearly two hundred per cent. in three years, yet how widely separated they have been. One brother is about one hundred and fifty miles from any railroad, and the same distance from the nearest brother minister. All are isolated and shut out alone with God. With unspeakable joy we clasp each other's hands, look into each other's eyes, and join in the fellowship of this occasion.

We here contend with all the vices common to the human race, magnified in this new land of liberal ideas and varied nationalities. The people are generous and kind, but every man is greatly tempted to be a law unto himself and go his own way. Traditions, histories, and experiences go for but little when the people are inclined to blaze out a new civilization and do things after original plans. But we must get to the head of the procession, and lead the van in bringing the people to our Lord and Master.

#### MORMONISM.

We are much more than many think in danger of the influence of the terrible scourge of this compact organization and degrading system in our family life and also in our political interests. The loose ideas of marriage, the lightness with which those vows sit on many people, and the degrading opinions of many on social purity, can, in a large measure, be traced to this cause. We need to deal candidly, truthfully, firmly, lovingly with this evil.

#### INTEMPERANCE.

This is one of the increasingly perilous iniquities of this fair land. With the legal phase of it we have nothing to do. But we are in a large measure responsible for the hold it is getting on the society of our State.

#### NEW WORK.

At our Annual Meeting we projected work in three new fields—Buffalo, Lagrange, and Newcastle. All these were without boundaries or defined lines. On the *Buffalo Circuit* Rev. H. H. Austin has been very active, constantly moving. While his zeal, activity, and faithful work has not resulted in all that his heart desired, yet he has demonstrated that there is an imperative demand for a minister of our Church in that field.

*Lagrange* has had as its first pastor the devoted, thoughtful, competent, consecrated Rev. C. D. Day. I think it will be hard to find in Methodism more heroic self-denial and more faithful devotion to the work of the Master than this brother has exhibited. While the work has been hard, he has been cheered with success that calls for gratitude. He has labored uncomplainingly, and kept his family of a wife and three children on about one hundred dollars besides the three hundred and fifty dollars furnished by the Missionary Society. But he does not come with empty hands to the end of this year. He has organized Sunday-schools, and the future is bright with good promise of a glorious harvest.

*Newcastle*, instead of being Newcastle proper, has recently developed

into the *Sheridan Circuit*. When the new work was named we did not know just the ground that would be occupied, but expected it would be along the projected line of the Burlington and Missouri Railway, through the western part of the State. It has become apparent that the best thing to do was to get ahead of the railway, and occupy the fertile valleys of Sheridan County. This has been done during the year by Rev. A. B. Ennis, under the competent supervision of Rev. J. H. Gillespie. Brother Ennis is a young man of fine character and good ability, but for a few months his health was so precarious that he had to give up the work. He is now teaching school and preaching as he can. He has done good work.

For years we have been watching with great solicitude for an opening to enter and begin work in *Rock Springs*. It is said that here is the greatest diversity of nationality in any place in this nation. Such is the danger of collision between them that our government keeps a company of troops garrisoned in the heart of the town all the time. No opening appearing, having found the right man we concluded to make one, and so entered the field with Rev. W. L. Wilson and his heroic wife last March. Many were the difficulties met and overcome, but we are here to report that our efforts have been most successful, and that the future is bright with hope to our cause in Rock Springs. We have a noble, trusty band of workers in that place who should be encouraged at this time by a recommendation from this body that they have very liberal aid from our ever helpful Board of Church Extension.

#### REGULAR WORK.

At our last session *Almy* was taken from the *Evanston Charge* and put to housekeeping for itself. It has struggled hard to show itself worthy of this confidence and honor. Rev. O. L. Ramsay has been the pastor. He has been true to the cause and the Master and efficient in his work. He has paid off the church debt, and sustained the church in its former positions and advanced on many lines. Owing to the confused condition of the coal department of the Union Pacific Railway Company, it is a problem what should be done with *Almy* another year.

*Carbon Circuit* has developed under the efficient management of Rev. Benjamin Young into a most hopeful and encouraging field. During the year the congregations have greatly increased, the confidence of the people strengthened, advance made on all lines, and a church built at Hanna. This church has been built and paid for thus far without aid or promise of it from the Board of Church Extension, because we have been able to get nothing more than a lease from the coal company. But Brother Young has, under many discouragements, gone about his work, and by his urbane Christian bearing managed to collect, in sums from twenty-five cents to five dollars, the amount necessary to meet the demands up to the present.

*Cheyenne* has had another year of change. Dr. Johnson was unable to commence his pastoral work until September. At that time he entered upon what promised to be a long and most successful pastorate; but this



was suddenly cut short by his election to the presidency of the Wyoming University the latter part of March. He at once resigned, and his place was filled by Bishop Ninde in the appointment of Brother Samüel Weir, A.M. He has been efficient and seems to be getting hold of the elements of success. Here we have the finest church building in the State inclosed. I think, as a mission, we must take some steps toward the financial relief of our people in their efforts to complete this building.

*Douglas* was left six months without a pastor. In January I was very fortunate in securing the services of Rev. R. J. Davenport, of the West Nebraska Conference. The divine approval of this appointment is clearly indicated by the success he has had in Casper and the beautiful building in which the Mission assembled. He is the kind of a man that succeeds in Christ's work because he knows the Master.

*Evanston* was greatly depleted at our last session by setting off Almy into a separate charge. Then soon after the Conference some of the most helpful members there removed. But amid many difficulties that are peculiar Brother Bewley has done a good year's work. Here we have an illustration of how helpful a faithful layman can be to the church in the person of Hon. A. L. New, who has helped largely in keeping the church full by his diligence in furnishing the most beautiful and acceptable music.

*Lander* has been much blessed in the line of uninterrupted success during the entire year. Rev. T. Wesley Jeffrey has been most diligent and faithful as well as successful. We are arranging to build a church at this place this autumn.

*Laramie* holds the high distinction of continuing to be the charge in which the most thorough and complete Christian and churchly activity is maintained. A most helpful and hopeful church, with one of the most efficient and effective pastors in the person of Rev. N. H. Lee.

*Rawlins* holds its proud distinction of being the church that contributes the largest amount per capita toward the support of the Gospel, notwithstanding the members are all poor. Amid all the discouragements encountered Brother Cage has been most devoted, cheerful, hopeful, and faithful.

*Sheridan* has had a year of struggle and success. Brother Gillespie is an humble, true, patient man of God, and his work is such as one might expect from one of his character. There has been decided advance made along all lines.

*Sundance* has been greatly afflicted for over a year on account of the prevalence of diphtheria, that has rested as a nightmare over the place. Brother Nichols has not been able to accomplish what his heart has cried out for because of this scourge. He has given all the time to his pastoral work that could be expected, when we know that he has for a part of the year been the editor of a weekly paper, prosecuting attorney for the county, the clerk of the school board, the superintendent of the Sunday-school, sexton of the church, and the head man on a ranch. He has, however, given up the paper, and will have more time for church work.

At our last session we admitted Rev. O. B. Chassell, and he was appointed to the Sundance Circuit. This has proven to be one of the most profitable actions we have ever taken. Many souls have been converted, about thirty added to the church, the benevolences well cared for, and a new church building started, centrally located and to be well built. As long as we can find such young men as him and Brother Young in our home churches, we may be assured of our Father's approval.

*Uva*, under the pastoral care of Rev. M. A. Rader, who is also finishing his first year in the ministry, is having a prosperous year. We have secured a deed to our church lots at Uva, and will soon secure our help from the Church Extension Board. As one of the Lord's anointed ones I am constrained to mention Mrs. Hattie Phillips as the one who has made this circuit possible, and who has really compelled success when it would not have been thought of by any other in my knowledge. She is a widow and poor, but she believes God's word is true, and she dares to venture any thing in his name.

As for my own work, I must say I have had the most blessed year of my life. The Gospel I have tried to preach to others has been such a balm to my own soul that I have counted all toil and trial joy because of its fullness in my own heart. I have traveled this past year about 13,000 miles in attending to my work on the railroad—on stage about 1,100, in private conveyance about 1,425, and on foot about 300. I have slept on the ground and done my own cooking about twenty-seven days and nights. I have tried to preach 178 times, I have delivered 23 free lectures, written 1,325 letters, baptized 37 children and 43 adults, preached 5 funeral services, and solemnized 4 marriages.

We came to this Conference in much better condition to do much more aggressive work than ever before. Whatever our brethren in older Conferences may do or think, we must preach the Gospel as the fathers preached it. While others may now have time to give attention to the æsthetic demands of the Church, our field demands the heroic spirit and bold aggressiveness that was demanded in the early days of Methodism. Only let us be endued with divine power and filled with the love of the Master.

# STATISTICS OF WYOMING.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAP- TISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.						SUNDAY- SCHOOLS.				BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.								MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.						
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. of Children Baptized.	No. of Adults Baptized.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on Old Indebted- ness on Church Prop- erty.	Present Indebtedness on (Church Property.	Current Expenses (Sex- ton, Light, Fuel, etc.).	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all Ages.	MISSIONS.		For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday-School Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society.	For Education.	For American Bible Society.	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Woman's Home Missionary Society.	For Pastor, House Rent, Presiding Elder, and Bishops.	Conference Claimants.		
																		From Churches.	From Sunday- schools.												
Almy.....	7	32	1		7	1	\$1,000			\$237	\$70			\$25	2	16	120		\$10		\$5			\$2						\$384	
Buffalo.....																					6			3						87	
Carbon.....	3	17			4	2	2,850			500		\$377		20	3	13	95		20	\$5	2								271		
Cheyenne.....	30	169	3		3	3	19,000	1	\$5,000	4,000		7,000		405	1	21	175		79	31	55	\$6	\$3	28	10	\$10	\$18			1,845	
Cokeville.....																														150	
Douglas.....		20				1										1	6	37													
Evanston.....	6	34			1	2	1	3,000	1	1,600	55			232	1	8	50		50		10			5	3					1,120	
La Grange.....	14	3													2	8	55		10		5									108	
Lander.....	15	39							1	1,000	58		230	75	2	12	70		20	5	15		1	1	2					792	
Laramie.....	53	130	1		1	6	1	6,000	1	2,000	143	443		256	1	18	190		81	29	50	3	2	25	10		36			1,615	
Rawlins.....	1	13				1	6,000	1	2,000					75	1	4	20		20	5	10	1	1	2	1					582	
Rock Springs.....	1	8													1	10	30													113	
Sheridan.....	3	37	2	1	2	2	1	2,100		600		500		100	1	8	60		23		20	1	1	2		1	7	\$2		238	
Sheridan Circuit.....		9																	2		1									5	
Sundance.....	13	39			2	3	1	3,000	1	600	41	315		50	1	6	35		5	1	5			1		1	1	1		215	\$1
Sundance Circuit.....	11	32	2		1	3				326					4	20	104		7		10			2						146	
Uva.....	3	14			6	1	1	800						3	3	10	80		46	4	18	1	1	3						272	
Total.....	160	596	4	6	27	20	11	43,750	6	12,300	5,919	554	8,422	1,181	24	160	1,121	873	80	212	12	9	74	29	12	63	8	7,893	1		

## MISSIONS ADMINISTERED BY CONFERENCES.

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### AMERICAN INDIANS.

Commenced in 1814.

**CENTRAL NEW YORK CONFERENCE.**—Rev. W. H. Annable, Presiding Elder of the Syracuse District, reports :

The Onondaga Indian Mission, established in 1840, has fifty members, a church valued at \$2,000, a parsonage valued at \$1,000, and a missionary appropriation of \$500. He adds : “ As to becoming self-supporting, it is a question whether this mission will ever become so under the present relations of this people to the State government.”

**COLUMBIA RIVER CONFERENCE.**—Rev. G. M. Booth, Presiding Elder of the Columbia District, reported to the Conference as follows :

A word in regard to our property on the Simcoe reservations. Four years ago, when I was appointed to the district by Bishop Foster, upon my first round on the district I was greatly surprised to find we did not own a single foot of land within the bounds of the reservation. Yet we had been doing work there for a full generation. We had no land upon which to build a school—did not even own the land upon which our churches stood. I took steps to secure property for the church. As the brethren will remember, the matter has been brought before each session of this body since, and your co-operation asked. I am glad to be able to say to you to-day, brethren, our efforts have not been in vain. Within the past quarter we have secured the guarantee from the government for one hundred and eighty-five acres of land in three places upon which our churches stand. There is a brighter outlook for our work there. We hope in the near future to fence the land and improve it, and that the mission will within a very short period become self-supporting and pay back to the Missionary Society the money it has been spending upon it in these years.

**GENESEE CONFERENCE.**—Rev. J. E. Williams, Presiding Elder of the Buffalo District, reports :

A. A. Craw has been working heroically on the Gowanda charge. The Indian Mission has received much needed attention; and with an appropriation of nearly \$300, under the judicious management of the pastor,



the dilapidated church has been painted and papered to the great delight of the Indians. What can be done for the pagans within our borders has not, by us at least, been satisfactorily answered.

**NORTHERN NEW YORK CONFERENCE.**—Rev. H. W. Bennett, Presiding Elder of the St. Lawrence District, reports :

One church valued at \$2,000 ; 1 parsonage valued at \$900 ; 18 probationers ; 44 members ; \$76 paid for church improvements ; \$23 for benevolent collections.

No reports of Indian work in the other Conferences are at hand.

The Navajo Mission, under Rev. F. A. Riffin as superintendent, has established head-quarters at Fort Defiance, Arizona Territory, purchased property, erected a parsonage, begins with good prospects, and will erect during 1892 a building for school and church purposes.

#### MISSIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS.

<b>Central New York.</b>		Pinconning and Saganing	\$150	Elk Rapids.....	\$56
Oneidas.....	\$397	Taymouth.....	150	Petoskey.....	80
Onondagas.....	495	Missions, 5; Money, \$620.		Grand Traverse District.	80
Missions, 2; Money, \$892.				Notaway and Bass River	60
		<b>Genesee.</b>		Missions, 8; Money, \$620.	
<b>Columbia River.</b>		Cattaraugus.....	\$496		
Yakima and surrounding		Tonawanda.....	297	<b>Northern New York.</b>	
tribes.....	\$1,060	Missions, 2; Money, \$798.		St. Regis.....	\$619
Mission, 1; Money, \$1,060.					
		<b>Michigan.</b>		<b>Puget Sound.</b>	
<b>Detroit.</b>		Scottsville.....	\$100	Nooksack.....	\$854
Bay Mills.....	\$100	Vandear.....	100		
Hannahville.....	70	Big Rapids District.....	64	<b>Wisconsin.</b>	
Munising.....	150	Northport.....	80	Oneidas.....	\$297

#### WELSH.

Commenced in 1828.

**NORTHERN NEW YORK CONFERENCE.**—Rev. J. L. Davies, pastor of Coke Memorial Church, Utica, reports :

Six probationers ; 76 members ; 1 local preacher ; 2 children baptized ; 1 church valued at \$18,000 ; \$51 paid for improvement on church property ; \$554 for current expenses ; \$43 for benevolent collections.

**PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCE.**—Rev. S. W. Thomas, Presiding Elder of the North Philadelphia District, reports :

Our Welsh brethren in Bangor have their neat brick church nearly finished, and with the lot and furnishing it will cost \$4,000. The self-denial and sacrifice of these devoted men and their families should awaken the sympathy and support of those who love our Lord. They are now

supplied by Rev. E. Edwards, but he will soon enter one of our theological schools, and a minister from Wales will take his place.

**WYOMING CONFERENCE.**—Rev. R. W. Van Schoick, Presiding Elder of Wyoming District, reports:

The Welsh Mission is now in charge of Thomas Jenkins, who comes to us from the Congregational Association of Waterville, N. Y. He is giving excellent satisfaction. The congregations and Sunday-school are increasing, and the outlook is bright.

### MISSIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS.

Northern New York.		Rock River.		Wyoming.	
Utica....	\$397	Chicago.....	\$595	Wilkesbarre.....	\$293
Philadelphia.		Wisconsin.			
Bangor, etc.....	\$595	Milwaukee.....	\$198		

## GERMAN.

Commenced in 1838.

### MISSIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS BY CONFERENCES.

<b>California German Mission.</b>		McKeesport.....	\$200	Fort Hunter.....	\$175
District.....	\$500	East Liberty.....	100	Greenville & Turner Falls	200
Anaheim.....	425	Akron.....	200	Hartford.....	550
Lorin.....	475	Missions, 30; Money, \$4,464.		Lawrence.....	177
Los Angeles Circuit.....	435	<b>Chicago German.</b>		Long Island City.....	475
Marysville.....	375	Arlington Heights and		Now Haven.....	200
East Oakland.....	450	Long Grove.....	\$145	New York: Blinn Memorial and 114th Street	700
Pasadena.....	300	Champaign.....	50	New York: 55th Street..	100
San Bernardino.....	475	Deering.....	75	Poughkeepsie.....	100
Santa Cruz.....	350	Ebenezer.....	100	Yonkers.....	150
San Diego.....	300	Emanuel.....	40	Baltimore: Light Street..	175
Folsom Street.....	175	Kobey Street.....	150	Buffalo: Northampton St.	200
Santa Rosa.....	485	West Fullerton Avenue..	140	Dunkirk and Silver Creek	150
Stockton.....	225	Grand Ridge.....	140	Jeffersonville Circuit.....	75
Missions, 13; Money, \$4,960.		Hammond.....	200	Jersey City.....	850
<b>Central German.</b>		Melvin.....	40	Jersey City Heights and	
Spring Grove Ave.....	\$130	Michigan City.....	50	Tappan.....	800
Greenville.....	200	South Bend.....	100	Paterson.....	375
Hamilton.....	150	Elgin.....	100	Rochester Mission.....	250
Indianapolis: 2d Church.	125	Burlington and Geneva..	150	South Scranton.....	225
Mount Auburn.....	300	Fort Atkinson & Milford	60	Philadelphia District.....	800
New Palestine.....	100	Madison.....	100	Missions, 22; Money, \$5,552.	
Walnut Hills.....	250	Milwaukee: 5th Church.	120	<b>Northern German.</b>	
Indianapolis Mission.....	125	Immanuel.....	92	Minneapolis District....	275
Bedford and Washington.	50	3d Church.....	100	Clear Water.....	75
Charlestown.....	60	West Bend, Kewa: Kum,	140	Duluth.....	800
Jeffersonville.....	60	and Iron Ridge.....	100	Grand Forks.....	150
Louisville: Jefferson St.,	75	Appleton and Clayton...	100	La Helena.....	500
13th Street.....	200	Fond du Lac and Forest..	100	La Moure.....	200
Nashville.....	50	Green Bay and Abrams...	120	Minneapolis, North.....	100
Evansville & Salem Miss.	224	Kewaunee.....	100	Morris Mission.....	150
Cannelton and Tell City	140	Main and Kiss Falls.....	100	Turtle Mount and Devil's	
Terre Haute.....	75	Marion.....	100	Lake.....	200
Ann Arbor.....	125	Menomonee & Marinette	150	Valley City.....	100
Bay City.....	125	Merrill and Corning.....	200	Hokah.....	100
Detroit: 1st Church.....	100	Wausau and Texas.....	160	Menomonee.....	100
Caseville.....	175	Missions, 30; Money, \$3,472.		Rosemount.....	75
Goshen.....	125	<b>East German.</b>		West St. Paul.....	160
Montague.....	150	Amsterdam.....	\$550	Stillwater.....	100
Petoskey.....	100	Bridgeport.....	75	St. Paul: 2d Church.....	60
Perrysburg & East Toledo	400			Salem.....	40
Cleveland: St. Paul's....	100			Pepin.....	40
Cleveland and Mission...	200				

St. Paul: Park.....	\$100	Canton.....	\$25	Seguin.....	\$200
Beaver Falls.....	75	Moberly.....	175	Victoria.....	325
Cannon River.....	75	Peoria Mission.....	100	Yokum and Shiner.....	200
Mankato.....	250	Springfield.....	296	Missions, 22; Money, \$5,455.	
Owatonna.....	175	Burlington: Locust Street.....	100	<b>West German.</b>	
Danville.....	50	Des Moines.....	280		
Rochester and Dover.....	125	East Des Moines.....	80	<b>Alta Bista.....</b>	
Springfield and Johnsonville.....	100	Farmington.....	65		
Missions, 26; Money, \$3,675.		Geneseo.....	100	Bushton, Dubuque, and Lincoln.....	200
<b>North Pacific German Mission.</b>		Iowa City.....	40	Great Bend and Larned.....	50
		Keokuk.....	155	Greenwich and De Graff.....	150
<b>Superintendent.....</b>		Mt. Pleasant.....	150	Halstead and Newton.....	100
		Newton.....	100	Lawrence.....	125
Chehalis and Centralia.....	450	Wilton.....	180	Norwich and Greensburg.....	150
Fairhaven and Whatcom.....	475	Big Springs.....	100	Pittsburg.....	150
Milwaukee and Highland.....	150	Billings.....	100	Sallina.....	150
Portland: 1st Church.....	100	Farmington.....	80	Topcka.....	150
2d Church.....	815	Golden City.....	100	Wichita.....	150
Ridgefield and La Camas.....	275	Morrison.....	70	Oklahoma.....	400
Ritesville.....	150	Owensville.....	100	Atchison and Weston.....	850
Salem.....	300	St. Louis: Carondelet.....	100	Cosby.....	25
Seattle.....	340	Gano Ave.....	200	Kansas City, Mo.: Mission.....	400
Spokane.....	400	Taylor Ave.....	100	Kansas City, Kan.: Mission.....	100
Spokane Circuit.....	145	Warrenton.....	100	Lexington.....	40
Tacoma.....	175	Missions, 35; Money, \$3,819.		Smithton.....	60
Walla Walla.....	389	<b>Southern German.</b>		Independence.....	25
Bickleton.....	100			Heatrice.....	400
Missions, 15; Money, \$4,460.		Houston District.....	\$500	Culbertson.....	840

SCANDINAVIAN.

Commenced in 1849.

MISSIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS BY CONFERENCES.

Austin ( <i>Scandinavian</i> ).	Louisiana ( <i>Swedish</i> ).	New England ( <i>Swedish</i> ).
Port Worth District..... \$450	New Orleans, Swedish Mission	(No report of distribution furnished.)
Austin..... 850	Water Valley, Scandin'n Mission	Boston: Swedish Mission
Galveston..... 375	(No report of distribution furnished.)	Worcester: 1st " " "
Georgetown and Brushy..... 250	Missions, 2; Money, \$744.	" 2d " " "
Manor and Decker..... 100		Gloucester " " "
Fort Worth..... 400		Malden " " "
Swedenia..... 353	<b>New York East (<i>Scandinavian</i>).</b>	Rockport " " "
Waco..... 400	(No report of distribution furnished.)	Missions, 6; Money, \$3,372.
Missions, 8; Money, \$2,678.	Brooklyn; Dan. and Norwegian.	<b>N. E. Southern (<i>Swedish</i>).</b>
<b>California (<i>Scandinavian</i>).</b>	Perth Amboy, N. J., Danish and Norwegian.	Brocton, Mass. .... \$685
Norwegian Mission..... \$1,161	Bridgeport: Swedish	Quincy..... 400
Swedish Mission..... 1,736	Brooklyn: Bethany " "	Providence, R. I..... 850
Missions, 2; Money, \$2,897.	" Emanuel " "	Newport..... 850
<b>Colorado (<i>Swedish</i>).</b>	Dover, N. J.: " "	Missions, 4; Money, \$1,785.
South Denver District:	New York:	<b>Norwegian and Danish.</b>
Swedish Mission..... \$496	Missions, 7; Money, \$5,059.	Chicago District..... \$300
Mission, 1; Money, \$496.		Calumet..... 100

Cambridge and Deerfield. \$100	Red Wing, Hartland, and Diamond Bluffs. \$100	Two Harbors. \$80
Chicago: Immanuel Church. 150	Toronto and Canby. 125	St. Paul District. 250
Park Side and South Chicago. 100	Westby and Richland. 140	Centre City and Marine. 150
Moreland. 100	West Superior. 250	Farwell and Melby. 100
New Mission. 100	Missions, 50; Money, \$8,730.	Litchfield and Darwin. 163
Gibson, Harpster, and Kinsman. 150	<b>North-west Swedish.</b>	Mankato, Algona, and Mason City. 275
Manistee. 100	Burlington District. \$800	Murdock and Ortonville. 125
Ishpeming and Pequaming. 200	Burlington. 150	Hektor and Palmyra Circuit. 125
Muskegon. 225	Creston, Spaulding, and Hiteinan. 200	Red Wing. 175
Marinette and De Pere. 200	Des Moines. 250	St. Paul and Arlington Hill. 150
Milwaukee, Oconomowoc, and Ashippun. 275	Galva. 125	Stillwater and Afton. 100
Racine Junction and Kenosha. 125	Keokuk and Melrose. 81	Trade Lake Circuit. 125
Sheboygan. 150	New Sweden. 50	Vasa and Goodhue. 100
Stoughton & Whitewater. 200	Red Oak and Essex. 200	Missions, 64; Money, \$9,422.
Lee and Steward. 75	Sheldahl. 100	<b>North-west Norwegian and Danish.</b>
Neenah, Waupaca, and Stevens Point. 150	St. Louis. 330	Oregon and Puget Sound District. \$800
Omaha District. 550	Chicago District. 60	Astoria. 350
Danville, Wacondo, and Yankton. 160	Aurora. 100	Ellensburg. 25
Eagle Grove, Rutland, and Des Moines. 200	Atlantic Street. 800	Fairhaven and New Whatcom. 450
Missouri Valley, Council Bluffs, and Shelby. 265	Bloomington. 100	La Center. 25
Newburg, Locust, and Washington Prairie. 50	Batavia and Geneva. 50	Montesano and Aberdeen. 525
Omaha and Carbon. 200	Chesterton and Hobart. 100	Norway Lake. 100
Sioux Falls, Canton, and Eden. 50	Humboldt Park. 250	Portland: 1st Church. 400
Sioux City and Woodbury. 230	Jefferson Park. 50	2d Church. 400
Red River Valley District. 551	Moreland. 50	Port Townsend. 425
Crookston and Beltrami. 150	McKeesport & Pittsburg. 475	Seattle. 425
Devil's Lake and Crary. 50	Melrose and Oak Park. 50	South Bend. 400
Fergus Falls and Tordenskjold. 240	Racine. 100	Tacoma. 150
Grand Forks & Hidum. 230	South Chicago. 150	East Washington and Idaho District. 189
Halstad and Fargo. 250	Warren. 25	Blaine and Genesee. 250
St. Hilare and Sandridge. 100	Western Springs. 440	Moscow. 800
Warren and Stephen. 100	Kansas - Nebraska District. 20	Rockford. 25
St. Paul and Minneapolis District. 840	Axtell and Scandinavia. 230	Spokane. 225
Ashland and Washburn. 150	Cedarville. 178	Bollmor. 50
Brighton and Scandia Grove. 80	Kansas City. 144	Missions, 18; Money, \$5,289.
Deer Park and New Centerville. 100	Lincoln and Cresco. 220	<b>Puget Sound (Swedish).</b>
Duluth. 100	Lindsburg Circuit. 144	Portland. \$550
Eau Claire, Downs ville, and Menominee. 225	Omaha. 178	South Bend. 200
Grantsburg. 100	Olsburg and Rose Hill. 140	Tacoma. 300
Hutchinson. 75	Saronville and Kearney. 40	Seattle. 800
Lake Lillian and Lake Elizabeth. 100	Scandia and Wayne. 100	Pleasant Ridge. 200
La Crosse. 120	Shickley and Ong. 120	Cedar Home. 37
Minneapolis. 75	Thomas and Sherman. 90	Missions, 6; Money, \$1,587.
Miland, Clarkfield, and Watson. 225	Verona and Carthage. 251	<b>Southern California (Swedish).</b>
	Lake Superior District. 875	Los Angeles District. 125
	Calumet, Mich. 80	Swedish Mission. \$300
	Carm. y Circuit. 100	Fresno, Swedish. 800
	Crystal Falls & Florence. 225	Kingsbury. 200
	Duluth. West Duluth, and Superior. 100	Templeton and Paso Robles, Swedish. 890
	Escanaba. 75	Missions, 4; Money, \$1,190.
	Iron Mountain. 100	
	Marinette and Menominee. 125	
	Marquette. 50	
	Michigammi & Republic. 100	
	Norway. 120	
	Printice Circuit. 120	

## CHINESE.

Commenced in 1868.

CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE.—Rev. F. J. Masters, Superintendent, reports as follows :

## HISTORICAL.

Since 1870, when the mission was started by Dr. O. Gibson, 394 have been baptized on profession of the Christian faith and after the usual probation admitted to the church membership. Upward of 5,000 Chinese



have been under Christian instruction, many of whom have renounced idolatry and are secret believers in Christianity. Over 300 slave women and girls have been rescued and helped, of whom 70 have professed the Christian religion. The great majority of our members and scholars have returned to China, or colonized other Chinese missions in this country. Wherever they go they are witnesses of the saving grace of God. At least 90 per cent. of our Chinese converts remain steady—a result which will compare favorably with our more enlightened American churches.

#### YEAR'S RESULTS.

Thirty-two new members have been received, 21 from probation and 11 by letter; 4 children have been baptized and 10 Chinese couples united in Christian wedlock; 19 members have removed beyond the bounds of our Conference; 2 have ceased to meet with us; 2 have died in the faith of the Gospel; and 3 have been expelled for unchristian conduct or continued neglect of the means of grace. We report 123 members still under our care. During the last three years we have received 80 members from probation, of whom all but 5 are still faithful as far as we can ascertain.

#### CHARACTER OF MEMBERSHIP.

There is no doubt that the great majority of our members have been truly converted. Some have fallen away, but the number is very small. I have never known but one case in seventeen years where a Chinaman after professing conversion fell into open apostasy and idolatry. As a rule when he steps into church membership he has broken with idolatry forever. He may take a long time to convert, but when once his mind is made up he holds firm to the end. He may not be the equal of our American members in point of knowledge, culture, and spiritual insight—that could hardly be expected; but by every test of character, by their wonderful liberality, courage, and steadfastness, they are brethren of whom we need not be ashamed.

#### DIFFICULT TO REACH.

When we remember the bad treatment of the Chinese in California, and the anti-Chinese legislation in Congress, as well as in the State Legislature and municipal councils, it is a wonder that any Chinaman will take the Gospel from a white man's lips. We work, moreover, among a people that have had no previous instruction, as in the case of those born in Christian lands, and who come to us ignorant of God, with no consciousness of sin and regarding the cross as foolishness. We work among a community of young men, of whom only one in a hundred is married or has his wife with him. Having lived in China nine years, I say that the temptations of cities like San Francisco and Sacramento are a hundred times worse than in their native villages in China. These considerations will make plain how difficult our work is.

#### SAN FRANCISCO.

Our work here is not as prosperous as in years gone by. The Exclusion Bill has shut out all new-comers—the very class who used to come to our

schools to learn English. Our evening school attendance averages 28, as compared with 40 last year and 120 ten years ago. Five years ago I pointed out that this would be the inevitable result, and vainly urged that we abandon our work of teaching English and make better provision for evangelistic work. The California Conference has passed resolutions several times insisting upon the necessity of a mission church on a more central street, instead of as now on an American street, where few Chinese dare to come.

#### STREET PREACHING.

While our Sabbath services in the mission-house have been fairly attended our largest congregation gathers on the public street every Sabbath afternoon. Hundreds of Chinese gather every Sunday to hear the Gospel in their own language. This unabated interest for over five years has demonstrated that English teaching is not needed as a bait to draw people to hear the Gospel. We are convinced that money might have been saved and greater results achieved had the Missionary Society seen its way years ago to sanction the proposed change of our lines of work from a school-house for elementary English instruction to a mission hall for evangelistic work. Fourteen have joined our church in San Francisco during the year, eight from probation and six by letter. The teachers, Mrs. Hull and Miss Simmons, and the assistant, Chan Hon Fan, have worked faithfully during the year.

#### OAKLAND.

Here we have a flourishing school under Miss Kelsey, assisted by Woo Ming. There are 22 members of the church and 70 scholars enrolled in our evening school. Four young men have joined the church after giving satisfactory evidence of a change of heart and life. There are fewer attractions here than in San Francisco, and the scholars in our school get more attached to the mission. The attendance upon the church services and the interest of the scholars in the Gospel is very remarkable.

#### SACRAMENTO.

Our work has suffered greatly at this station owing to the removal of the late teacher, Mrs. Reeves, and the Chinese helper, Lee Chin, after several years of faithful and successful service. We had done little more than hold our own during the year till a sad disaster befell us last month in the total destruction of the school by fire. This is the third fire in Chinatown this year of incendiary origin. The members are now without a place of worship, and the loss in benches, tables, desks, and organ, to say nothing of the personal effects of young men, is very considerable. No insurance could be obtained. It is hoped the Missionary Society will make a special grant of \$200 to help us réopen.

#### SAN JOSE.

This has been a successful year in our little mission school. Twenty young men have attended the evening school very regularly during the



West Fourteenth Street, which seemed admirably adapted to the purposes of the mission. We were not able with the appropriation granted us to pay the rental of the whole building, but some of the young men connected with the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association volunteered to pay a considerable proportion of the rental for the use of some of the rooms on the upper floors, and in this way we were able to secure the whole building.

The Sunday-school, under the careful and efficient superintendency of Miss Mary A. Lathbury, continues its career of usefulness. During the past year six members of this school have been converted and have united with St. Luke's Church, which now has ten members received from this Sunday-school; and three others are soon to be received. There have also been six members of the Twenty-seventh Street Church who were connected with this school, two of whom are now away. In all there have been at least twenty-five conversions since the school was instituted under the care of the New York City Church Extension and Missionary Society. One of the converts is pursuing a course of study at Hackettstown Seminary, where his consistent Christian character and faithfulness in study have won for him the high esteem of his teachers and fellow-students. We have every reason to believe that he will become an efficient missionary to his countrymen, as his heart is set on that work.

One of the former members of the school is now connected with the Chinese Legation at Washington, and is a young man of more than usual intellectual ability, and a decided Christian.

The Chinese Young Men's Christian Association holds a meeting for prayer and conference every Sunday evening, between six and half past seven. It has thirty-two members, and attendance ranges between twenty-five and forty. They are contributing largely for special benevolent and Christian work, and are doing very efficient service.

OREGON CONFERENCE.—Rev. A. J. Hanson, Superintendent, reports :

There is a state of peace and good feeling in the mission, and a spirit of hopefulness that promises well for the future. While the numbers are not large, several of the members give evidence of a marked growth in grace, while others are manifestly coming nearer the light of a true Christian life. Assisted by the native helper and others, the superintendent has continued an active tract distribution during the year, and otherwise prosecuted evangelistic work among the Chinese people in this region.

This year in the history of the mission has been one of continued labor and moderate success. The teachers employed, the native helper, the class-leader, and the stewards have been faithful in the performance of their respective duties, and the work exhibits signs of vitality and fruitfulness sufficient to encourage its continuance.

It has a membership of twelve, with six probationers; about thirty-five pupils enrolled in the evening school, with an average attendance of eighteen. Attendance at preaching service and Sunday-school has ranged from fifteen to twenty-five.



The mission has raised \$241.80 for self-support, contributed \$107 for special mission work in Canton, China, and reports an excess of the amount apportioned for benevolences, etc., for the current Conference year.

### MISSIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS.

California.	New York.	Oregon.
San Francisco.....\$7,787	New York.....\$998	Portland.....\$495

## JAPANESE.

Commenced in 1877.

CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE.—Rev. Dr. M. C. Harris, Superintendent, reports as follows :

The past year has been the best in the history of the mission. The gracious revival which began in August, 1889, has continued up to the present. Perhaps over two hundred have been converted in that time, and the believers lifted to a high plane of spiritual life. The chief characteristics of this work of grace are deep sense of sin, accompanied by agonizing prayer and fasting for deliverance, clear witness of the Holy Spirit to the new birth and sonship, full consecration, heart-purity, triumphant joy, and witnessing with power to Christ as a Saviour.

In the closing months of the year the interest grew mightily. The Church endeavored to preach the Gospel to all of their countrymen in San Francisco and the neighborhood. The words were blessed to the salvation of many souls; so that on the first Sunday of October fifty were baptized, and these all gave clear evidence of conversion.

I submit here some of the testimonies of these newly baptized disciples given at the evening meeting. It was a sight never to be forgotten. Their faces flashed with the light and joy of heaven as they sang and witnessed to what God had done for them.

### TESTIMONIES.

Here are a few of the testimonies :

“By the goodness of God I was permitted to receive holy baptism this morning. I do not know how to thank God for his grace to me, the chief of sinners. Since the time of my birth I have never tasted such happiness as this.”

“I have no words with which to express my gratitude. To save a poor sinner like me, God has freely given his Son. Through the cross of Calvary I have been saved from all my sins. To-day I received the baptism of water, and also the Holy Spirit.”

“The only book I can perfectly trust is the Bible. As Paul says (Rom. 8:14), ‘As many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.’ I rejoice that now I am a *son* of God.”

“This salvation of Jesus is more than sufficient. I can do nothing but weep grateful tears and praise God.”

"I am now filled to overflowing with joy. I realize, also, my helplessness, but I see the great love of Jesus for me, and I am saved from all fear."

"To-day I was baptized, and my joy is unspeakable. My only language is praise to God. I do not know much about the Bible; I cannot reason skillfully; I am but a poor, ignorant sinner; but Jesus has fully saved me, and I want to bless his name forever. I want to grow in grace and in the knowledge of the word."

"Since I believed in God I found out that I was sorely wounded, but I rejoice to say that Jesus's blood has healed my wounds, and to-day I was baptized in his name."

#### WASHINGTON STREET BRANCH.

Four months ago, in response to an imperative call, a branch was opened at 923 Washington Street, opposite the Chinese Methodist Episcopal Mission. It was here that the work among the Japanese began under Dr. Otis Gibson, in 1878, Rev. K. Miyama, now of the Japanese Conference, being the first convert. When the Japanese were formed into a separate mission they occupied a house just adjoining, but moved to the present place shortly afterward. Many Japanese live in and around "China Town," as that part of the city is named, and these have been neglected for a long time.

The work here has been signally blessed from the beginning. Many have been converted, and the consecration meetings held every Sunday afternoon have been seasons of Pentecostal power. This is carried on entirely by the Japanese Christians.

#### CHURCH BUILDING.

The lease on the premises occupied for the past five years expired November 1, 1891. This has been renewed for one year and six months. It is understood that the Central Church will need these buildings at the end of that time for its own work.

The necessity to buy a lot and build a church is upon us. All sensible persons will admit that a church building is essential to the permanence and prosperity of the society. The present method entails heavy expense upon the Missionary Society and the Japanese members.

A church that will meet the wants of the mission will cost at least \$20,000 for building and lot. Of this sum the Japanese Christians have pledged \$5,000. This will be a large sum for them, as they are mostly poor students struggling for an education. We must appeal to the friends of the mission to help us in this enterprise.

#### JAPANESE IN CALIFORNIA.

The Japanese in this State number near three thousand, most of whom live in and near by San Francisco. They increase constantly in numbers. There is no doubt as to the permanency of this Japanese colony. They are in good repute. All the schools of the State, public and private, are open to them, and they are much liked as pupils. They are received at

hotels and restaurants the same as Americans. There is a great demand for Japanese labor in families and fruit ranches. The mercantile class is increasing, as trade is growing rapidly between Japan and America. The student class still predominates, but merchants, artisans, and laborers are increasing.

#### OBLIGATION OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

The Japanese found their way to the Chinese Mission and knocked at our doors. It was impossible to refuse them admission. They came to us. We did not go to them. Providence has put this great opportunity into our hands. The work among them has been signally favored. The leading men of the Japanese Conference were converted here. At present there are twenty-five who have given themselves to God for work in Japan. Ten of these are already licensed as local preachers. The influence in Japan through this work has been marked. It has extended to the Sandwich Islands, where many scores have been converted.

#### EDUCATIONAL WORK.

During the year flourishing evening schools have been conducted both in San Francisco and Oakland. From the first the Japanese have been attracted to us by the opportunities to learn English. A large proportion of the pupils have been converted. At least two thirds of those who have remained for a length of time have accepted Christ. Surely, the small outlay in support of these schools has been fully justified.

#### OAKLAND SCHOOL.

Most of the members of this branch are students who attend either the public or private schools. Yet the evening school has been kept up here for many years. But as the attendance became very small, the school was closed the first of May, and may not be reopened. It has done a good work in preparing boys to enter the more advanced schools.

In addition to the above it should be recorded that a large number attend the University of the Pacific and other public and private institutions, where they are always warmly welcomed and kindly treated. Every year many go East to complete their education.

#### OAKLAND BRANCH.

This little branch church has had a good year under the pastorate of Rev. S. Doi. He has been most devoted and efficient in labor, and is able to report fourteen baptisms during the year, and about twenty-five accessions. The old premises on the corner of Fifteenth and Jefferson Streets becoming too small for the growing members, a new and most admirable place was rented on Bush and Fifth Streets, and in December of 1890 the mission moved into the new quarters. Rev. S. Doi was admitted on trial at the last session of the Conference, and has been appointed as pastor. During the year Rev. Z. Hirota, an old member of the mission, went forth to the Sandwich Islands as an evangelist. He has been very successful. Scores have been converted and baptized.

In this little church there are four local preachers and others who feel called to be ministers. These are all very helpful in the mission work. Rev. K. Nakamura had charge of the school work during the year, where he was most faithful and efficient. He is now attending the University of California. Rev. S. Arai will graduate from the high-school this year. He is also a most earnest Christian and a thorough student.

#### MISSION TO THE SANDWICH ISLANDS.

For one year and a half the Rev. A. N. Fisher and wife have resided in the islands and supervised the work. During all this time they have labored as self-supporting missionaries, not using one cent of the appropriation for their own living expenses. The health of Brother Fisher having suffered severely during the past year, he yielded to the best medical advice and decided not to return. His report of the work as presiding elder, submitted at the last session of the California Conference, sets forth the difficulties, successes, and needs of the field. The Japanese and all the Christian workers of the islands deeply regret the necessity laid upon our brother to abandon the work. This mission, undertaken in March, 1888, by Rev. K. Miyama, was signally blessed at the beginning, and has resulted in the salvation of hundreds of precious souls. Some of these are occupying positions of influence. Among these are Hon. T. Ando, Chief of the Consular Bureau of the Government of Japan, and T. Fugita, Japanese Consul to Mexico.

Rev. A. N. Fisher, Superintendent, reports this work as follows :

Honolulu District territorially covers the Hawaiian Islands situate in mid-ocean, two thousand miles south-westerly from the Pacific coast. Ecclesiastically, it is a tentative endeavor on the part of this Conference to evangelize the eighteen thousand Japanese temporarily resident on those islands, and is a nascent mission under the charge of a superintendent, rather than an organized district under care of a presiding elder. The working force of the mission is necessarily made up of Japanese novitiates. They are, for the most part, young men from our mission school in San Francisco, inexperienced and but recently licensed. Except the writer hereof there has been no member of this body at work in that field during the year, and there is but one member of the mission who has held a license for that period. The *personnel* of the district is constantly shifting. In the three years of its history, with an average of not more than five workers at any one time in the field, there have been sixteen different members of the mission. And of its existing force of seven members, five have been connected with it less than four months, and but one has been there more than one year. Our congregations are equally unstable, and we prosecute the work under limitations in these respects, and others not herein named, which render it an open question whether we can establish in Hawaii a permanent mission.

Death has invaded our ranks during the year, removing from us I. Ta-



katori, a probationer of this Conference, and one of our most efficient workers. We have suffered also by the return to Japan of some of our most prominent and useful laymen. These changes and losses have materially affected the returns of the year. Some advance can, however, be reported. We have organized five new congregations. We have erected two new chapels, and enlarged and improved a third. There have been seventy-four adult baptisms; one hundred and twenty-six have been received on probation; a female Bible-reader has been brought from Japan to work among women; and unusual attention has been given to the distribution of Christian literature. A prominent feature of the work has been the holding of service with the newly arrived immigrants. Since April last six thousand peasants from the hill country of Japan have been landed at Honolulu. They are brought in successive groups of one thousand, and for a week or more each company remains massed at the Immigration Depot. Thus is presented a rare field of usefulness. The peasants are chiefly Buddhists, who have brought with them their idols and their amulets. A majority of them have never so much as heard the name of Christ. They know that there is a foreign religion, but to them it is but one among many equally meritorious, and a religion from which fealty to ancestry and to country compels them to refrain. But ignorance and prejudice give way when they hear in their own tongue sacred song and fervent appeal. The story of Jesus and his love attracts and holds them. In every audience many give signs of being greatly edified, and some seem profoundly impressed.

The situation among the Japanese throughout the kingdom invites evangelism. In no other Christian country are so many heathen so closely aggregated; and mission work done there possesses special strategic as well as intrinsic value. The only question concerning it is whether it can best be done by us, or by others more favored by proximity to the field.

The finances of the mission are in healthful condition. Since taking charge of the work in January, 1890, I have received from the Missionary Society the sum of \$1,700. I found in the treasury the sum of \$42. There has been expended in the conduct of the mission, in the twenty months it has been under my care, aside from the item of supervision, the total sum of \$4,693, and there remains in the treasury the sum of \$677. Thus it is seen that the sum of \$3,628 has been contributed to our work in this period by friends on the islands.

I find myself compelled, in the interest of health, to sever my connection with the work in Hawaii, and in so doing I desire to thank this body for the privilege of relation with a phase of Christian effort that has been attended with immediate results in the highest degree gratifying, and that in reflex influence promises to render invaluable service in the extension of the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ.

#### MISSIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS.

San Francisco.....\$4,960 | Honolulu.....\$1,985

## FRENCH.

Commenced in 1881.

NEW ENGLAND SOUTHERN CONFERENCE.—Rev. Henry E. Benoit, Missionary, reports as follows :

When the Committee of the General Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church had completed its work last November, in the city of Boston, finding to my great disappointment that no increase had been made in the appropriation for French Missions in this Conference, I went to work with the determination that I would awaken among our Methodist people, in the future, a greater interest in this department of our evangelistic work, praying that my humble efforts might be rewarded with at least one hundred conversions from the Church of Rome during the present year.

There were then within the bounds of my Conference many fields which were promising ; yet it was not until the latter part of January, 1891, that an opening, for which I had prayed earnestly, presented itself. A Roman Catholic priest in Putnam, Conn., having made a very indiscreet charge against some of our French Protestants, I went to that town and challenged this priest to a public discussion. He, of course, refused to meet me. Improving the opportunity, I led a series of revival services which resulted in the conversion of eleven Roman Catholics. Continuing to hold regular weekly services in Putnam, we eventually organized a Methodist Episcopal French Mission, with a membership of twenty persons, the attendance at the services being about thirty people and a constituency of sixty-seven who were favorably disposed toward us.

I personally ministered to this mission from January until the first of May, going every Sunday to Putnam, at the close of the regular services of my own charge at Woonsocket.

On my way home from Putnam every Monday I found an opportunity to preach in Glendale and Nasonville, and here also we succeeded in bringing four families out of the Roman Church.

Encouraged by these manifestations of God's divine approval upon my labors, I felt called upon to go to the city of Fall River, Mass. There were in that city twenty thousand French Roman Catholics. After a few meetings we succeeded in organizing a class of twelve persons. In a few weeks this class increased to twenty-seven members, and there were twelve Roman Catholics converted. Meetings have been held regularly in Fall River for the last four months, and I confidently say that under proper management and care this mission field will prove the best and most prosperous of all the French Protestant missions in New England.

The next mission field to be occupied was Central Falls and Pawtucket, R. I. Here also the work of God has prospered, though not so fast as in other places.

In the short space of eight months, including the children, we have re-

ceived a total of one hundred and eight Roman Catholic converts, fifty-three of whom are persons above twenty years of age. A most interesting and encouraging feature of all this work is the fact that at least eighty per cent. of these converts to Protestantism have sought and found pardon at the feet of Jesus.

An appropriation of \$3,300 will enable the Methodist Episcopal Church to employ four missionaries and to continue the work which is being so well done in Putnam, Fall River, Central Falls, Pawtucket, Woonsocket, Mapleville, Harrisville, and Glendale. It will also enable these missionaries to do regular mission work in Providence, New Bedford, and Danielsonville, all of which are important centers of French Canadian Roman Catholic populations.

Will not some one who has the means to do it give this extra amount to the Missionary Society, so that it may be able to make this appropriation to this much needed work? If any can and will do it, I sincerely believe that God would give us in that same year at least five hundred converts from Rome.

Personally I cannot do all this work without assistants, and in order to pay these assistants I have had to go from church to church to raise money. From a purely business stand-point, is it not much better to spend all my efforts where I can be most efficient in the direct work of leading souls to Christ than to go around begging for money, when the Methodist Episcopal Church is so great and rich, and God has so many of his wealthy stewards in it?

N. B.—Since the foregoing report was made out we have received a legacy of eighty-five acres of land, the proceeds of which are to be used for the purchase of a French Protestant Church in Putnam, Conn.

**NEW HAMPSHIRE CONFERENCE.**—Rev. Thomas A. Dorion, Missionary, reports as follows:

The French Missions of Manchester, Laconia, and Suncook have kept growing during the year just closed. Services have been held regularly in Manchester and Laconia every Sunday morning and evening and in Suncook an occasional service during the week.

Last year we had in these three mission fields eight members in full and twenty-four probationers; this year there are twenty-six members in full and twelve probationers. There were received during the year on probation seven and in full twenty-one, giving a total of twenty-eight for the year. Five of these were transferred; one to the Methodist Episcopal Church in Suncook, three to the French Methodist Church of Canada, and one to a French Congregational Church in Massachusetts.

Two of our new members had studied to become priests in the Romish Church.

But we must not forget that this is not all the work that has been accomplished. Divine seed has been sown during the last twelve months that will bring forth abundant fruit in the years to come.

The French Canadians should be evangelized, as losing faith in the

Church of Rome, they will fall into infidelity if nothing is done to save them. And this last state would certainly be worse than Romanism itself.

Through the kindness of Mrs. Emma Smith the French Church at Manchester is now the possessor of a communion service.

At present our congregation at Manchester meets in the city hall, but a step ought to be taken to secure a permanent place of worship.

Although there are many obstacles in our way, yet it seems that we are near the days when the masses will come to hear the word of life. Rome is rapidly losing her grip on the French Canadian people, and I may safely say here that the English-speaking evangelical denomination—because the French-speaking people desire nothing but the old Bible doctrines—that will push with the most vigor French Canadian evangelization will be the leading denomination in the years to come.

In closing, I thank God for his kind care of me and mine, and for the many tokens of his favor upon my humble labors in the past year. I also thank my presiding elder, Rev. S. C. Keeler, for his many kindnesses to me personally, and for his loving words of encouragement to our French congregations when with them. And also all the pastors of the Methodist Episcopal Church who have given me sympathy and encouragement.

**NORTH-WEST INDIANA CONFERENCE.**—The French Mission at Brazil is reported as having three probationers, twenty-nine members, one local preacher, one death last year, six adults baptized, \$50 collected for current expenses, one Sunday-school, with ten officers and teachers and sixty-five scholars, and \$29 collected for missions.

Our French work has sustained a great loss in the death of Rev. L. N. Beaudry, who has served in different parts of the work, and whose zeal and Christian spirit won his way to the hearts of many of the people.

#### MISSIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS.

Louisiana.....	\$1,889	New Hampshire .....	\$1,190	Rock River .....	\$695
New England.....	1,190	New York.....	1,190	Troy.....	595
New England Southern.	794	North-west Indiana ....	397	Missions, 8; Money, \$7,890.	

### BOHEMIAN.

Commenced in 1884.

**BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.**—Rev. W. F. Speake, Presiding Elder of East Baltimore Conference, reports one Sunday-school, with four officers and teachers and seventy-five scholars, and \$33 collected for current expenses.

**PITTSBURG CONFERENCE.**—Rev. T. H. Woodring, Presiding Elder of McKeesport District, reports :

The Coke Mission is in the bounds of the McKeesport District, and in it J. C. High labors as missionary. This field is practically several por-



tions of foreign missionary territory right in our midst and in direct contact with our homes. The crying need of these foreigners of the Coke Mission is gospel teaching, and the demand for efficient workers to labor in this field far exceeds our ability to supply. During the summer months I have employed Miss Ella Lewis to work in the Coke Mission. Her work was to visit from house to house, distributing tracts, copies of the Bible or parts of it, and religious papers in the respective languages of the people whom she met, and forming classes for the religious instruction of children.

#### MISSIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS.

Baltimore Conference.		Pittsburg Conference.	
Baltimore .....	\$594	Coke Mission .....	\$1,240
East Ohio Conference.		Rock River Conference.	
Cleveland .....	\$1,988	Chicago .....	\$1,958

### ITALIAN.

Commenced in 1889.

**NEW YORK CONFERENCE.**—Rev. Vito L. Calabrese, Missionary, reports as follows:

To speak about the Gospel and present Jesus as the direct and personal Saviour to persons born and educated in the Roman Church, like the Italians, who have been trained in its forms, to win them from their veneration of images, their idolizing of saints, their adoration of the blessed Virgin, is no easy task. The power of the teachings that produce such practices must be overcome and finally destroyed, so that the minds may be willing and ears may be open to receive the truth as it is in Jesus Christ. In the past few years, we know well, the Roman Church has been thoroughly organized in this country, year by year, and is using every effort to maintain its authority over those whose allegiance it demands, and which it claims, not by reason of voluntary faith in Christ, but on the ground of birth and education, as Roman Catholics. These people have been taught that loyalty to the "Church" is indispensable to salvation, and that there can be no approach to the Saviour except through the "Church," and no justification from sin until after remission through the medium of a priest has been obtained. To overcome the effects of this character is a work of difficulty. The effectual growth of this work cannot be forced by man like the flowers in a conservatory, from which every retarding condition has been removed.

In order to show the practicability of our religion, an Italian branch of the Y. M. C. A. was formed and incorporated, and I was elected president. At the beginning of this year a benevolent society (Associazione Umanitaria—Humanitarian Society) was also organized. I also have the honor of being its president. The membership is confined to Christians and those who have declared their intention to be such according to the Gospel, and whose professions in this respect are confirmed by their daily life. Through these organizations occasions arise which give opportunities for Christian conversation and the teaching of the Gospel as well as for

strengthening professors in the true faith of Christ the Saviour, drawing all men to him.

At present there are eighty-one communicants and eight probationers, and great care is being taken to keep them under those beneficent influences that will cement them more strongly and make them steadfast and immovable in the faith.

The Sunday-school is developing increasing interest, and its prosperity depends upon the confidence which the parents of the scholars have in the minister. To create and foster this confidence involves a great amount of personal work in the homes of the people. They must be visited, conferred with, and advised materially and spiritually, their sick comforted, the poor and needy assisted, and generally such an interest and sympathy shown toward them as will excite their gratitude and gradually awaken in them a sympathetic willingness and desire to know the Gospel of the Master as it is set forth in the open and free Bible. We also make it a matter of duty in our visits to pay special attention to the children, speaking to them kindly on the subject of practical godliness.

PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCE.—Rev. T. B. Neely, D.D., Presiding Elder of the South Philadelphia District, reports :

The Italian Mission, which was suspended a couple of months before the last session of the Conference on account of the illness of the Rev. T. D. Malan, was resumed after he had been restored to health. A preaching service is maintained at the House of Industry, on Catharine Street, above Seventh, Philadelphia, where Brother Malan also conducts a service in the French tongue for the benefit of French residents.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society is now co-operating in the Italian work. Miss Boyd, a candidate for the position of a deaconess, some time ago established a sewing-school for Italian girls and also a Sunday-school at the Alaska Street Mission. Brother Malan united his Sunday-school with this, and the combined Sunday-school now meets in the second story of a private house at the north-west corner of Eighth and Bainbridge Streets. At this place various meetings are held during the week in which the missionary assists, and under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society both a day-school and a night-school are held. Brother Malan reports eight full members and thirty-three probationers. The work, being among Roman Catholic Italians, is exceedingly difficult.

#### MISSIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS.

Louisiana .....	\$695	Philadelphia .....	\$1,289
New York .....	992	Missions, 8 ; Money, \$2,976.	

### PORTUGUESE.

Commenced in 1891.

NEW ENGLAND SOUTHERN CONFERENCE.—Rev. Walter Ela, D.D., Presiding Elder of New Bedford District, reports :

It has long been felt that an effort should be made to carry our Prot-

estant Christianity to the twelve thousand to fifteen thousand Roman Catholic Portuguese within the bounds of this district. A great difficulty has been to find a suitable man to carry on the work. About one year ago it was believed that such a man had been found. After consultation with Bishop Ninde and Secretary Leonard the man was engaged, the churches of New Bedford undertaking the financial responsibility. A room was opened in the Portuguese section of New Bedford, and services were commenced June 15, and have been regularly held to the present time. Thus far the results fully justify the undertaking. At first there was considerable open opposition, but this has almost entirely subsided. Thus far about fifteen persons have professed conversion at the mission in New Bedford, twelve of whom have been received on probation.

Our missionary has also made two visits to Truro, and held meetings with the Portuguese there, resulting in the conversion of some eight or ten, and as many more have expressed a desire to become Christians. Twenty-eight Portuguese now attend the preaching services at our church in Truro, and twenty-one of them attend the Sunday-school.

#### MISSION AND APPROPRIATION.

New England Southern..... \$990

### ENGLISH-SPEAKING CONFERENCES.

#### MISSIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS.

Alabama.		Austin.	
Anniston District.....	\$240	Forth Worth District....	\$450
Anniston.....	300	Austin; Central Church..	500
Fort Payne and Attalla...	200	Dallas Mission.....	100
Pleasant Grove.....	40	Denton.....	400
Spring Creek.....	24	Gainesville.....	400
Birmingham District....	250	Mason.....	400
Ninth Street and Besse-		Odessa.....	200
mer.....	253	San Antonio.....	355
Birmingham Circuit.....	50	Waco.....	500
Ensley City and Dolomite.	100	Clarendon District.....	300
Brookwood.....	25	Clarendon.....	300
DeFuniak Springs.....	350	Iowa Park.....	250
St. Andrew's Bay.....	150	Pan Handle.....	400
Crest View.....	40	Lipscomb.....	400
Decatur District.....	250		
Brinley.....	40	Missions, 14; Money, \$4,955.	
Evergreen.....	50		
New Decatur.....	300		
Rowland.....	50		
South Lowell.....	60		
Winfield.....	25		
Ark.....	40		
Melville.....	25		
Ruby.....	20		
South Alabama District..	250		
Kinsey.....	40		
Lakeview.....	50		
Mount Union.....	40		
New Tabernacle.....	40		
Ozark.....	40		
Powellton and Rosington.	40		
Rose Hill.....	60		
Missions, 31; Money, \$3,472.			
Arkansas.		Blue Ridge.	
Fort Smith District.....	\$400	135 Bakersville District....	\$250
Charleston.....	40	40 Aaron.....	50
Hackett City.....	100	30 Bakersville.....	150
		50 Bakersville Circuit....	70
		550 Boone.....	75
		100 Burnesville.....	75
		Creston.....	100
		Madison.....	100
		200 Montezuma.....	150
		200 Clyde District.....	270
		Boylston.....	85
		50 Bryson City.....	115
		96 Culberson.....	80
		100 Franklin.....	60
		100 Haysville.....	70
		250 Highlands.....	70
		300 Jonathan's Creek.....	80
		170 Murphy.....	100
		Pisgah.....	80
		Sylva.....	70
		Missions, 36; Money, \$5,951.	

Skyland and Hendersonville.....		Collinsville and Fort Payne.....		Malta Bend.....	\$40
Coast District.....		255 Horse Creek.....	\$70	255 Warrensburg.....	65
Hatteras and Kinikut.....		90 Dadeville District.....		20 Higginsville.....	80
Moorehead City and Har-ker's Island.....		Alexander City.....		290 Simpson.....	5
Ocracoke.....		180 Roanoke.....		50 Gilliam.....	30
Onslow.....		85 Opelika.....		80 St. Joseph.....	250
Roanoke.....		175 Rockford.....		100 Moberly.....	200
Wildwood.....		40 Sylacauga.....		30 Hannibal.....	200
Greensboro District.....		120 Wedowee.....		8 St. Charles.....	110
Forsythe.....		249 Talladega.....		20 Columbia.....	100
Gold Hill.....		40 Sandy Creek.....		30 Richmond.....	100
Huntersville.....		40 Tallassee.....		20 Huntsville.....	100
Randleman.....		60 Huntsville District.....	875	25 Kingston.....	40
Troy Mission.....		80 Athens and Oakland.....	30	Missions, 45; Money, \$8,150.	
Winston.....		40 Blountsville.....	20	<b>Central Tennessee.</b>	
Statesville District.....		160 Cedar Grove.....	20	20 Huntingdon District.....	\$310
Asbury.....		275 Courtland.....		20 Adamsville and Shiloh.....	75
Marion.....		40 Guntersville.....		20 Camden.....	80
Mount Bethel.....		75 Huntsville Circuit.....		20 Hollow Rock.....	80
Trap Hill.....		60 Russellville.....		80 Decaturville.....	80
Wilkesboro.....		200 Scottsboro.....		20 Dickson.....	90
Yadkinville.....		70 Jonesville.....		20 Erin.....	120
Missions, 42; Money, \$4,464.		60 Stevenson.....		50 Friendship.....	75
<b>California.</b>		Triana.....		20 Greenfield.....	90
Alameda, West End.....	\$100	Warrenton.....		800 Huntingdon.....	80
Antioch.....	175	Marion District.....		25 Lexington.....	80
Berkeley West.....	100	Mt. Sterling.....		20 Sardis.....	80
Golden Gate.....	150	Selma.....		25 Nashville District.....	350
Livermore.....	64	Mt. Sinal.....		20 Bloomington Circuit.....	50
Martinez.....	130	Tuscaloosa.....		30 Bloomington and Cook-ville.....	80
Oakland: 84th Street.....	175	Gainesville.....		40 Cumberland.....	50
23d Avenue.....	100	Montgomery District.....		30 Clay County.....	70
San Leandro.....	100	Abbeville.....		20 Dowelltown.....	50
Sonoma.....	75	Brewton.....		20 Lafayette.....	60
Turlock.....	150	Castleberry.....		20 Laurel Hill.....	60
Valley Springs.....	100	Dry River.....		20 Monroe.....	50
Stockton: Visser.....	150	Fowl River.....		50 Nashville.....	270
Biggs.....	150	Mobile: Franklin Street.....		30 Pickett.....	70
Dunsmuir.....	200	Warren Street.....		100 Sparta.....	60
Nord.....	150	Wesley.....		20 Short Mountain.....	70
Olinda.....	100	Montgomery.....		40 Overton.....	60
Orland.....	100	Suggsville.....		Watertown.....	60
Penryn.....	100	Union Springs.....		Tallahoma District.....	275
Pleasant Grove.....	100	Missions, 48; Money, \$3,845.		Houston and Clifton.....	70
Roseville.....	100	<b>Central Missouri.</b>		Lawrenceburg.....	70
Benicia.....	200	St. Louis District.....	\$50	Rover.....	70
Lakeport and Kelseyville.....	125	Fredericktown.....		40 Savannah.....	70
Middletown and Lower Lake.....	180	Bridgeton.....	35	Shawnette.....	65
Navarro Ridge and Philo.....	80	Carondelet.....	100	Shelbyville Circuit.....	160
Olema.....	120	Lebanon.....	80	Summertown.....	70
Rio Dell.....	100	Mt. Vernon.....	40	Tallahoma.....	100
Rio Vista.....	125	California.....	40	Tallahoma Circuit.....	70
San Rafael.....	100	Osceola.....	35	Missions, 37; Money, \$3,670.	
Sebastopol and Bloomfield.....	100	Jefferson City.....	80	<b>Colorado.</b>	
Sonoma.....	100	Smithton.....	30	40 North Denver District.....	\$250
Willits.....	80	Ironton.....	40	50 Arvada.....	180
Campbells.....	100	Hartville.....	50	40 Black Hawk.....	180
College Park.....	150	Rock Springs.....	50	200 Denver: Berkeley and Garden Place.....	300
Corralitos.....	100	Topeka District.....	100	50 Simpson.....	220
Mayfield.....	200	Fort Scott.....	100	100 Erie and Louisville.....	170
Pescadero.....	100	Independence.....	50	40 Evans.....	180
Redwood City.....	150	Kansas City Mission.....	60	60 Fort Lupton.....	180
San Francisco: Epworth, 15th Avenue.....	200	Kingman.....	50	50 Georgetown.....	180
Potrero.....	150	Larned Circuit.....	25	25 Holyoke and Fleming.....	300
San Jose: Bowman Ch.....	250	Saline.....	70	70 Idaho Springs.....	180
Missions, 42; Money, \$5,429.		Windfield.....	20	20 Jamestown.....	100
<b>Central Alabama.</b>		Valley Falls.....	150	25 Loveland.....	180
Birmingham District.....	\$200	Rose Dale.....	85	30 Morrison.....	200
Anniston.....	100	Pratt Center.....	100	20 Platteville.....	180
Attalla and Macedonia.....	50	Burlingame.....	30	30 Pleasant Prairie.....	100
Bessemer.....	90	Almer and Wamego.....	100	100 Sterling and Julesburg.....	300
Cedar Bluff.....	20	Chetopa.....	50	50 Windsor.....	100
		100 Kansas City District.....	100	100 Akron.....	180
		50 Clinton.....	60	60 Burlington.....	180
		90 Kansas City Mission.....			
		20 Joplin.....			



Castle Rock.....	\$180	Ashton.....	\$80	Arlington.....	\$115
Colorado City.....	180	Andover.....	80	Big Stone.....	80
Denver: City Missions.....	300	Bath.....	90	Bradley.....	100
South Denver.....	140	Bowdle.....	160	Bristol.....	75
South Sherman Avenue	150	Britton.....	70	Gary.....	75
Florence and Coal Creek..	50	Claremont.....	80	Elkton.....	75
Hugo.....	100	Campbell County.....	175	Estelline.....	125
La Junta.....	200	Columbia.....	100	Twin Brooks.....	75
Lamar.....	200	Coral.....	60	Waverly.....	100
Las Animas.....	147	De Voe.....	80	Webster.....	100
Manitou.....	200	Doland.....	75	White.....	90
Pueblo: Bessemer.....	150	Ellendale.....	50	Willow Lakes.....	75
East.....	175	Frankfort.....	75	Willmot.....	100
Rockvale.....	50	Frederick.....	110	Missions, 95; Money, \$10,298.	
Rocky Fori.....	200	Groton.....	120		
Trinidad Circuit.....	145	Ilecla.....	80		
Yuma and Wray.....	200	Ip-wich.....	120		
Salida District.....	550	Leola.....	100	<b>Delaware.</b>	
Alamosa and La Jara.....	150	Langford.....	75	Chestertown District....	\$120
Del Norte.....	180	Mellette.....	190	Sassafras.....	12
Buena Vista.....	160	Newark.....	100	Dover District.....	120
Delta.....	150	Northville.....	60	Seaford.....	18
Durango.....	180	Warner.....	80	Lewes.....	20
Fruita.....	140	Huron District.....	400	Philadelphia District....	175
Glenwood Springs.....	200	Alpena.....	100	Burlington.....	60
Grand River Circuit.....	150	Blunt.....	150	Atlantic City.....	20
Monte Vista.....	200	Cavour.....	100	Mt. Holly.....	52
Montrose.....	250	De Smet.....	100	Green Lock.....	20
Ouray.....	160	Faulton.....	120	Greenwich.....	24
Missions, 49; Money, \$9,528.		Gettysburg.....	150	Salisbury District.....	146
		Hand.....	200	Parsonburg.....	20
<b>Columbia River.</b>		Highmore.....	150	Chincoteague.....	100
Spokane District.....	\$150	Hitchcock.....	100	Fair Oak.....	20
Asotin.....	100	Iroquois.....	150	Missions, 15; Money, \$847.	
Grangeville.....	250	Lake Preston.....	100		
Lewiston.....	100	Miller.....	150		
Garfield.....	100	Onida.....	100	<b>Detroit.</b>	
Colton.....	164	East Pierre.....	100	Bay City District.....	\$300
Pulouise City.....	100	Ft. Pierre.....	20	Allis.....	109
Pullman.....	100	Redfield.....	100	Au Gres.....	75
Spangle.....	150	St. Lawrence.....	150	Churchill.....	100
Spokane Circuit.....	100	Wessington Springs.....	180	Gaylord.....	80
Endicott.....	95	Wessington and Woolsey.	100	Greenbush.....	100
The Dalles District.....	218	Winthrop.....	100	Indian River.....	110
Arlington.....	150	Mitchell District.....	375	Indian Lake.....	70
Bickleton.....	50	Alexandria.....	50	Long Rapids and Hillman	100
Dufur.....	100	Armour.....	125	Headquarters.....	70
Fossil and Lone Rock.....	100	Artesian.....	150	Otsego Lake.....	25
Grass Valley.....	100	Bridgewater.....	125	Roscommon.....	120
Hood River.....	150	Castalia.....	50	Tawas Circuit.....	60
Heppner.....	50	Edgerton.....	50	Sterling.....	70
Lexington.....	60	Ethan.....	50	Vanderbilt.....	120
Waldron.....	100	Fulton.....	40	Whitemore.....	120
Wasco.....	100	Howard.....	150	Wilson.....	80
Walla-Walla District.....	230	Kimball.....	150	Maple Ridge.....	70
Athens and Adams.....	164	Mitchell Circuit.....	150	Woodside Avenue.....	20
Eur-ka Flat.....	300	Mt. Vernon.....	4	Fourth Avenue.....	70
Pataha.....	150	Parkston.....	100	New Lothrop.....	60
Pilot Rock and Alba.....	200	Plankinton.....	140	Clio and Pine Run.....	98
Pomeroy.....	50	Salem.....	175	Au Train.....	25
Waitsburg.....	200	Tyndall.....	60	Bessemer.....	159
Columbia District.....	250	White Lake.....	140	Cedarville.....	40
Cheney and Medical Lake.	125	Sioux Falls District.....	80	Dollar Bay.....	100
Colville.....	125	Aic-ster.....	200	Donaldson.....	40
Ellensburg.....	100	Bereford.....	100	Detour.....	140
Ellensburg Circuit.....	50	Centerville.....	60	Stephenson.....	40
Pasco.....	50	Canton.....	100	Gladstone.....	190
Peone.....	125	Egan.....	40	Hermansville.....	50
Post Falls.....	250	Flandreau.....	100	Inter-r.....	45
Ritzville.....	184	Gayville.....	100	Manistique.....	60
Sprague.....	100	Hartford.....	50	Menominee.....	150
Waterville.....	100	Hurley.....	60	Naubinway.....	90
Wibur.....	75	Lennox.....	75	Newberry.....	100
Rockdale.....	75	Lodi.....	100	Ontonagon.....	140
Missions, 42; Money, \$5,435.		Madison Circuit.....	18	Pickford.....	40
		Prospect.....	60	Rockland.....	140
<b>Dakota.</b>		Sioux Falls; East Church	800	Michiganmi.....	40
Aberdeen District.....	\$350	Circuit.....	60	Saulsbury and National..	40
Aberdeen Circuit.....	20	Watertown District.....	200	Palmer.....	40
		Aurora.....	125	Crystal Lake and Trout	
				Creek.....	75

Peck.....	\$25	Wisconsin.....	\$50	Levyville.....	\$40
Sanilac Centre.....	25	Missions, 51; Money, \$2,180.		Cornell's Pond.....	25
Imlay City.....	25			Cedar Key.....	20
Pinnebog.....	25			Starke.....	20
Carsonville.....	25	East Tennessee.		Waldo.....	20
Minden.....	25	Bristol District.....	\$300	Micanopy.....	25
Forester.....	25	Fall Branch.....	20	Otto Creek.....	30
Clifford.....	25	Greenville.....	40	Palatka District.....	410
Ubley and Tyre.....	28	Johnson City.....	20	Cotton Plant.....	30
Marlette Circuit.....	25	Marion.....	20	Hawthorne.....	40
Popple.....	25	Mountain City.....	20	Homeland.....	40
Washington Avenue.....	250	Rural Retreat.....	20	Key West.....	50
Bay Port.....	80	Russell.....	40	Ocala.....	40
Deford.....	50	Rodgersville.....	40	Orlando and Sanford.....	75
Millington.....	50	Warrensburg.....	40	Palatka.....	50
Reese.....	50	Jonesboro.....	20	Punta Gorda Circuit.....	55
Tuscola.....	50	Mt. Gonerry.....	20	Santoz.....	30
Kingston.....	50	Elizabethton.....	20	Seville and New Smyrna.....	80
Taymouth.....	93	Gate City.....	20	Tampa.....	70
Owendale.....	50	Stickleville.....	20	Missions, 37; Money, \$2,380.	
Carrolton and Zilwaukee.....	50	Kingsport.....	20		
Midland Circuit.....	30	Chattanooga District.....	200	Georgia.	
Saginaw Circuit.....	65	Athens.....	50	Atlanta District.....	\$200
Asbury.....	50	Heath Chapel.....	40	Atlanta: Marietta Street.....	120
Missions, 67; Money, \$5,579.		St. Elmo.....	50	Carroll.....	60
		Churchville.....	50	Dawsonville.....	60
		Cleveland.....	70	Demorest.....	140
		Dayton.....	55	East Point.....	60
East Maine.		Georgetown.....	75	Haralson.....	50
Ashland.....	\$50	Hill City.....	50	Jasper and Cherokee.....	80
Brownville and Sebec.....	25	Jasper.....	50	Jonesboro.....	180
Carmel and Levant.....	40	Kingston.....	30	Mossy Creek.....	80
Dixmont.....	25	Riceville.....	30	Norcross and Roswell.....	30
Easton and South Presque Isle.....	50	Soddy.....	30	Rock Springs and Walton.....	40
Exeter and Corinna.....	30	Pikeville.....	275	Simpson.....	50
Forest City.....	46	Knoxville District.....	32	Tallapoosa.....	150
Fort Fairfield.....	40	Clinton and Coal Creek.....	32	Ellijay District.....	280
Harmony.....	24	Ebenezer.....	30	Blairsville.....	60
Hartland.....	50	Grays and Edgewood.....	160	Cassandra.....	40
Hodgdon and Linneus.....	80	Knoxville.....	34	Cohutta.....	70
Kingman.....	24	Knoxville Circuit.....	100	Dalton and Spring Place.....	150
Limestone.....	50	Morristown.....	30	Ellijay.....	40
Lincoln.....	24	Morristown Circuit.....	26	Gilmer.....	100
Mapleton.....	80	Mossy Creek.....	26	Hiawasseo.....	80
Moro.....	40	Newport.....	40	La Fayette.....	120
Milo and Atkinson.....	50	Oliver Springs.....	25	Morganton.....	80
Pittsfield.....	50	Russellville.....	30	Toccoa.....	80
Sherman and Stacyville.....	25	Tazeville.....	200	South Georgia District.....	350
Addison.....	40	Wytheville District.....	20	Albany and Thomasville.....	24
Alexander.....	36	Bland.....	20	Dupont and Glennmore.....	175
Bar Harbor.....	90	Bramwell.....	20	Sylvania and Tattnall.....	75
Brooksville.....	20	Christiansburg.....	20	Waycross and McClenny.....	200
Bucksport Center.....	50	Graham.....	30	Missions, 30; Money, \$3,224.	
Cherryfield.....	70	Max Meadow.....	24		
Cutler.....	24	Pulaski.....	24	Holston.	
Eddington.....	32	Railford City.....	20	Athens District.....	\$100
Edmunds.....	32	Pulaski Circuit.....	20	Blue Spring Circuit.....	50
Franklin.....	60	Parrisburg.....	30	Ducktown.....	100
Lubec.....	24	Grayson.....	20	Kingston.....	150
Machias.....	100	Missions, 54; Money, \$2,807.		Madisonville.....	40
Orland.....	60			Ooltewah.....	75
Sullivan.....	24	Florida.		Sewee.....	60
Surry.....	24	Jacksonville District.....	\$400	Tellco.....	60
Wesley.....	20	Hibernia.....	80	Battle Creek Circuit.....	50
Bremen.....	60	King's Ferry.....	80	Chattanooga Mission.....	59
Cross Hill.....	28	Lone Star.....	35	Crossville Circuit.....	50
Cushing.....	40	Lake City.....	25	Dayton and Vine Grove.....	200
Knox and Morrill.....	40	Oakland.....	20	Emory Gap Circuit.....	50
Montville and Palermo.....	40	Mt. Moriah.....	30	Highland Park.....	150
Northport.....	20	Simpson Chapel.....	30	Hill City.....	60
North Waldborough and Orff's Corner.....	40	Switzerland.....	25	Mission Ridge.....	60
Pemaquid.....	40	West Jacksonville.....	25	Ridgedale.....	50
Pittston and Whitefield.....	40	McClenny.....	345	Sherman Heights.....	60
Randolph.....	40	Gainesville District.....	35	South Pittsburg.....	200
Southport.....	48	Newnansville.....	25	Tracy City.....	100
South Thomaston.....	40	Gordon.....	25	Willhoite Church.....	200
Unity and Troy.....	32	San Pulaski.....	25	Clinton.....	100
Vassalboro.....	40	Arredondo.....	40	Cumberland Gap.....	30
Westport.....	28	Archer.....	25	Jamestown.....	50
		Hague Station.....			

Lansing.....	\$60	Kentucky.....		Owensboro.....	\$40
Maynardville.....	60	Ashtand District.....	\$150	Eddyville and Grand	
Newcomb and Coal Creek.....	50	Blaine.....	50	Rivers.....	30
New River.....	80	Carletonsburg.....	80	Dulaney and Princeton.....	25
Oliver Springs.....	50	Chester.....	50	Auburn and Franklin.....	25
Scarborough.....	80	Coalton.....	50	Cave City and Sonora.....	25
Sunbright.....	40	East Point.....	40	Vine Grove and West Pt.....	25
Tazewell.....	60	Flat Gap.....	40	Leitchfield and Beaver	
Carnegie.....	200	Flat Woods.....	26	Dam.....	20
Elizabethton.....	75	Fleming.....	40	Greenville and Horton's.....	20
Erwin.....	50	Greenup.....	50	Morgantown Circuit.....	20
Jonesboro Circuit.....	75	Louisa.....	60	Lewisport and Cannelton.....	15
Newport Circuit.....	50	Olive Hill.....	50	Indiana District.....	200
Rogersville Station.....	150	Paintsville.....	50	Anderson.....	30
Sneedville Circuit.....	50	Pikeville.....	60	Bloomington.....	30
Watanga Circuit.....	50	Richardson.....	40	Cleves.....	25
Emert Cove Circuit.....	80	Salersville.....	40	Corydon.....	25
French Broad Circuit.....	50	Shelby.....	60	Evansville.....	100
Knoxville; Asylum St.....	200	Asbury.....	80	Greencastle.....	80
Luttrell Street.....	400	Augusta.....	50	Graysville.....	25
Lenoir City.....	50	Foster.....	40	Lawrenceville.....	30
Maryville Station.....	100	Grant.....	40	Madison.....	25
Morristown and Newport.....	200	Ludlow.....	100	Newberg.....	25
Mossy Creek Circuit.....	100	Milldale.....	80	North Indianapolis.....	25
		West Covington.....	100	North Vernon.....	25
Missions, 48; Money, \$4,364.		Lexington District.....	200	Pittsfield.....	95
		Albany.....	80	Shelbyville.....	25
Idaho.....		Gradyville.....	90	Terre Haute.....	25
Idaho District.....	\$500	Harrodsburg.....	60	Kinney's.....	50
Enterprise.....	200	Highland.....	60	Mayslick.....	88
Summerville.....	200	Hally Hill.....	60	New Providence.....	50
La Grande.....	100	Middleburg.....	80	Boyd's.....	100
Union.....	100	Mintonville.....	80	Morfield.....	40
Pine Valley.....	122	Oldham.....	60	Sherbourne.....	40
Canyon City.....	100	Shelbyville.....	100	Poplar Plains.....	40
North Powder.....	200	Louisville District.....	200	Mt. Carmel.....	25
Willow Creek.....	150	Birmingham.....	50	College Hill.....	25
Payette.....	200	Bon Ayr.....	70	Louisville District.....	200
Emmett.....	150	Bowling Green.....	200	Owenton.....	50
Caldwell.....	300	Bowling Green Circuit.....	70	Ghent.....	20
Boise Valley.....	150	Bremen.....	100	Sulphur and Worthville.....	20
Shoshone.....	250	Caneyville.....	50	Bedford and Patton's Creek.....	20
Hailey.....	850	Deer Creek.....	60	Frankfort.....	90
Island City.....	800	Earlington.....	50	La Grange and Jericho.....	30
Baker City.....	100	Greenville.....	56	New Haven Circuit.....	30
		Hickory Grove.....	50	Chaplin and Wakefield.....	20
Missions, 17; Money, \$3,472.		Hopkinsville.....	50	Mt. Washington Circuit.....	20
		Leitchfield.....	120	Woodfork Chapel.....	20
Kansas.....		Leitchfield Circuit.....	30	Anchorage.....	40
Horton.....	\$100	Marion.....	60	Batavia, Laurel, and New	
Powhattan.....	100	Morganstown.....	60	Richmond.....	50
Bushong.....	40	No Creek.....	60	Cadiz.....	80
Enterprise.....	40	Onton.....	60	Cleveland.....	50
Haddam.....	80	Owensboro.....	60	Columbus.....	50
Hollenberg.....	50	Scottsville.....	70	Comminsville.....	50
Hope.....	40	Tompkinsville.....	70	Delaware, Mechanicsburg,	
Morganville and Idana.....	50	Union Star.....	80	and Rushsylvania.....	50
Skiddy.....	60	Vine Grove.....	50	Dover, Ripley, and Hig-	
Wakefield.....	50	Woodsonville.....	50	ginsport.....	50
Washington Circuit.....	50	Middlesborough District.....	200	Payton.....	80
Armourdale.....	100	Barboursville.....	80	Ironton, Louisa, & Vance-	
London Heights.....	100	Campton and W. Liberty.....	115	burg.....	60
McLouth.....	100	Clay.....	50	Staubenville.....	50
Michigan Avenue.....	75	Estill.....	80	Walnut Hills.....	50
North Lawrence.....	25	Harlan.....	60	Missions, 61; Money, \$3,273.	
Wood Street.....	100	London Circuit.....	110		
Manhattan Circuit.....	50	Middlesborough.....	160		
Randolph.....	50	Pineville.....	160		
Oketo.....	50	Rowan Mission.....	50	Little Rock.....	
Leonardville.....	50	Salt Lick.....	75	Forrest City District.....	\$445
Blue Rapids.....	50	Williamsburg.....	50	Brinkley and Clarendon.....	30
Onaga.....	25	Woodbine.....	80	Brinkley Circuit.....	20
Olesburg.....	25			Forrest City Circuit.....	20
Pomona.....	120	Missions, 71; Money, \$5,500.		Helena.....	91
Tecumseh.....	60			Jacksonport.....	20
Maple Hill.....	40	Lexington.....		Mariana and Marvell.....	40
Carbondale.....	40	Bowling Green District.....	\$400	Newport.....	60
Seranton.....	40	Henderson.....	1	Oseola.....	20
		Paducah and Smithland.....	100	Oak Forest.....	30
Missions, 29; Money, \$1,760.				Wynns and Crawfordsville.....	40
				Little Rock District.....	390





St. James.....	\$150	Enterprise.....	\$18	White Sulphur Springs...	\$350
Springfield.....	100	Stonewall.....	18	Great Falls District.....	440
Tracy.....	80	Lake.....	20	Great Falls.....	290
Walnut Grove.....	140	Lake Como.....	12	Sand Coulee.....	275
Worthington.....	100	Lauderdale.....	16	St. Clair.....	300
Anoka Circuit.....	50	Heidelberg.....	18	Augusta and Choteau.....	270
Bloomington Avenue.....	100	Paulding.....	16	Philbrook.....	300
Broadway.....	70	Philadelphia.....	20	Lewistown.....	300
Buffalo and Rockford.....	70	Quitman.....	16	Ft. Benton.....	275
Champlin.....	80	Shubuta Circuit.....	18	Chinook and Glasgow.....	270
Dassel.....	70	Meridian Circuit.....	20	Monarch and Wishart.....	300
Delano and Montrose.....	60	Garlandsville.....	16	Helena District.....	300
Excelsior.....	80	Eddinsburg.....	10	Anaconda.....	300
Forest City.....	70	Chunkey.....	20	Blackfoot.....	275
Hopkins.....	75	Vicksburg District.....	300	Boulder and Elkhorn.....	200
Hutchinson.....	100	Gloster.....	10	Flathead.....	400
Kimball and Maine Prairie	60	Hamburg.....	10	Meaderville.....	100
Litchfield.....	100	Meadville.....	10	New Chicago.....	100
Norwood.....	50	Natchez.....	87	Phillipsburg and Granite,	175
Renville.....	100	Vicksburg.....	40	Pocatello.....	275
Stewart and Brownton.....	50	Missions, 44; Money, \$2,623.			300
Afton.....	50	Missouri.			300
Albert Lea.....	100	Athens.....	\$50	Stevensville.....	300
Asbury.....	60	Kahoka.....	200	Oakes Street.....	175
Castle Rock.....	100	Memphis.....	120	South Butte.....	100
Glenville and Gordonsville	80	Queen City.....	50	Missions, 86; Money, \$9,920.	
Elysian and Bethel.....	75	Unionville.....	50	Nebraska.	
Hastings.....	100	Milan.....	50	Cortland.....	\$100
King Street.....	60	La Belle.....	50	Fairbury Circuit.....	40
Medford.....	40	Linneus.....	60	Liberty.....	60
North St. Paul.....	100	Canton.....	75	Daykin.....	46
Rich Valley.....	80	Mendota.....	150	Strang.....	50
St. Anthony Park.....	100	Granger.....	50	De Witt.....	100
Stillwater.....	100	Denver.....	80	Beatrice: La Salle Street,	50
Brownsdale.....	50	Maryville Circuit.....	80	Steele City.....	60
Byron.....	80	Westboro.....	60	Wilber.....	50
Caledonia.....	50	St. Paul.....	60	Hastings District.....	50
Dodge Centre.....	40	Oakland Park.....	200	Alexandria.....	40
Elgin.....	50	Second Church.....	200	Belvidere.....	40
Eyota.....	80	Wyatt Park.....	220	Chester.....	40
Fillmore.....	60	Birmingham.....	140	Clay Centre.....	40
Granger.....	50	Banner.....	60	Cowles.....	40
Grand Meadow.....	100	Breckenridge.....	60	Lawrence.....	50
High Forest.....	50	Carrollton.....	100	Guide Rock.....	50
Kasson.....	50	Bosworth.....	120	Harvard.....	70
Marion.....	100	Hale.....	50	Fairfield.....	40
Olive Branch.....	50	Kingston.....	60	Hardy.....	60
Preston.....	75	Galt.....	70	Inavale.....	50
Read's Landing.....	75	Ravanna.....	50	Kenesaw.....	50
St. Charles.....	200	Hamilton Circuit.....	40	Junata.....	40
Wabasha.....	100	Harris.....	100	Reynolds.....	40
Wesley.....	100	Bowling Green.....	60	Blue Hill.....	70
Missions, 107; Money, \$9,225.		Centralia.....	80	Bromfield.....	50
Mississippi.		Glasgow.....	120	Ayr.....	50
Brookhaven District.....	\$385	Hope Street.....	120	Carleton.....	40
Poplarville.....	28	Macon City.....	160	Oak.....	50
Summitt.....	20	Marcelline.....	140	Cheney.....	40
China Grove.....	20	Mexico.....	210	Emerald.....	40
Pleasant Valley.....	20	Moberly.....	110	Lincoln: Asbury.....	40
Augusta.....	20	Vandalla.....	110	Bethel.....	40
Vernal.....	20	West Hartford.....	60	Emanuel.....	40
Jackson District.....	525	Missions, 89; Money, \$3,965.			40
Bolton.....	20	Montana.			40
Canton Circuit.....	20	Bozeman District.....	\$350	Waverly.....	40
Clinton.....	20	Glendive.....	200	Manley.....	40
Edwards.....	20	Miles City.....	350	Havelock.....	35
Jackson Circuit.....	20	Billings.....	350	Peru.....	150
Pelahatchie.....	20	Livingston.....	800	Rulo.....	60
Steen's Creek.....	20	Red Lodge.....	800	Brownville.....	40
Trenton.....	20	East Gallatin.....	850	Brock.....	50
Yazoo City Circuit.....	20	Middle Creek.....	800	Vesta.....	50
Meridian District.....	500	Whitehall Circuit.....	800	Beaver Crossing.....	50
Cartilage.....	16	Twin Bridges & Virginia	800	Brainard.....	40
De Soto.....	12	City.....	850	Germantown.....	40
Daleville.....	20	Meadow Creek.....	300	Gresham.....	60
Decatur.....	20	Townsend and Radersburg	300	Hampton.....	50
Hickory.....	20			Linwood.....	80
De Kalb.....	20			McCool.....	50
				Staplehurst.....	40
				Stockham.....	60

Stromsburg..... \$50  
 Phillips..... 36  
 Missions, 54; Money, \$2,777.

### New Hampshire.

Manchester: St. James Church..... \$175  
 Lake Village..... 200  
 Gilmanton..... 25  
 East Colebrook and East Columbia..... 20  
 South Columbia..... 20  
 East Kingston..... 25  
 Lowell: Centralville..... 150  
 Wolfeboro Junction Ct..... 75  
 Tuftonboro..... 21  
 Derry Depot..... 50  
 Merrimacport..... 25  
 Hinsdale..... 50  
 Milford and Amherst..... 100  
 Peterboro..... 20  
 Chesterfield..... 36  
 East Deering..... 36  
 Grantham & N. Grantham..... 24  
 East Lempster and South Acworth..... 40  
 Wilnot..... 24  
 Hillsboro Bridge..... 44  
 Missions, 20; Money, \$1,190.

### North Carolina.

(No list of distribution received, nor any copy of the Minutes for 1891, although urgent and repeated requests for same have been made.)

### North Dakota.

Bismarck District..... \$700  
 Ashley..... 140  
 Bismarck..... 240  
 Dawson..... 120  
 Dickinson..... 220  
 Edgeley..... 100  
 Gladstone..... 150  
 La Moure..... 160  
 Mandan..... 200  
 Monango..... 100  
 Sterling..... 120  
 Steele..... 140  
 Washburn..... 220  
 Williamsport..... 140  
 Winchester..... 100  
 Devil's Lake District..... 700  
 Bottineau & Willow City..... 140  
 Cando..... 240  
 Church's Ferry..... 200  
 Carrington and Pingree..... 160  
 Devil's Lake..... 220  
 Lakota..... 200  
 Mayville..... 100  
 Michigan City..... 200  
 Minot..... 320  
 New Rockford and Minnewaukan..... 180  
 Northwood..... 100  
 Roila..... 160  
 Towner and Rugby..... 150  
 Williston and Fort Buford..... 100  
 Fargo District..... 300  
 Abercrombie..... 100  
 Cooperstown..... 140  
 Dazey..... 100  
 Elliott..... 100  
 Fairmount..... 100  
 Fargo: Second Church..... 160  
 Forman..... 140  
 Hunter..... 100

Lidgerwood and Milnor..... \$60  
 Leonard..... 36  
 Lisbon..... 140  
 Hope..... 80  
 Page..... 160  
 Oakes..... 140  
 Sheldon..... 140  
 Spiritwood..... 160  
 Tower City..... 200  
 Valley City..... 140  
 Wahpeton..... 140  
 White Rock..... 140  
 Cashel..... 50  
 Cavalier..... 60  
 Edinburg..... 120  
 Grafton..... 140  
 Hamilton..... 60  
 Hannah..... 140  
 Hoople..... 40  
 Inkster..... 60  
 Langdon..... 100  
 Minto..... 100  
 Milton..... 150  
 Osanabrock..... 60  
 Pembina..... 100  
 Reynolds..... 100  
 Thompson..... 100  
 Walhalla..... 100  
 Missions, 67; Money, \$10,292.

### North Nebraska.

Elkhorn Valley District..... \$400  
 Bartlett..... 85  
 Bloomfield..... 100  
 Creighton..... 150  
 Elgin..... 50  
 Ewing..... 90  
 Emerick..... 50  
 Lone Tree..... 70  
 Neligh..... 100  
 North Neligh..... 50  
 Niobrara..... 75  
 Newman Grove..... 80  
 Oakdale..... 100  
 O'Neill..... 85  
 Osmond..... 100  
 Paddock..... 90  
 Pierce..... 100  
 Plainview..... 50  
 Plainview Circuit..... 50  
 Reservation..... 50  
 Tilden..... 120  
 Allens..... 60  
 Beemer..... 60  
 Craig..... 140  
 Coleridge..... 240  
 Decatur..... 200  
 Homer..... 160  
 Humphrey..... 220  
 Kennard..... 200  
 Madison..... 100  
 Platte Center..... 200  
 Pilger..... 320  
 Ponca..... 180  
 Pender..... 100  
 Stanton..... 100  
 St. James..... 160  
 Wakefield..... 150  
 Wisner..... 100  
 Oakland and West Point..... 300  
 Tekamah..... 100  
 Warnersville..... 140  
 Winside..... 100  
 South Sioux City..... 100  
 Grand Island District..... 200  
 Albion Circuit..... 25  
 Belgrade..... 50  
 Cairo and Cameron..... 100  
 Cedar Rapids..... 100

Chapman and Fairview..... \$100  
 Columbus..... 120  
 Genoa..... 50  
 Greeley Center..... 50  
 Silver Creek..... 50  
 St. Edwards..... 80  
 Scotia..... 80  
 Cushing..... 50  
 Palmer..... 53  
 Dannebrog..... 50  
 Elba..... 50  
 Wood River..... 50  
 Clark's..... 76  
 Elkhorn..... 80  
 Purple Cane..... 45  
 Southwest Omaha..... 50  
 Richland..... 50  
 Valley..... 80  
 Albright..... 100  
 Castellar Street, Omaha..... 105  
 Gretna..... 105  
 Wesley..... 120  
 Monmouth Park, Omaha..... 150  
 Missions, 71; Money, \$5,743.

### Northern New York.

Croghan..... \$75  
 Watson..... 50  
 Castorland..... 15  
 Henderson..... 15  
 Point Peninsula..... 20  
 Three Mile Bay..... 10  
 Montague..... 10  
 Constableville..... 5  
 Cedar Lake..... 50  
 Clayville..... 30  
 Norway and Gray..... 65  
 Ohio..... 20  
 Springfield..... 35  
 Sand Bank..... 55  
 Gilbert's Mills..... 65  
 Central Square..... 25  
 Dickinson..... 100  
 Lisbon..... 50  
 Oswegatchie..... 25  
 Louisville..... 25  
 New London..... 50  
 Utica: Centenary..... 75  
 Whitestown and Maynard..... 75  
 De Peyster..... 65  
 Evans' Mills..... 60  
 LaFargeville..... 75  
 Missions, 26; Money, \$1,145.

### North-west Iowa.

Alden..... \$25  
 Bancroft..... 25  
 Burt..... 25  
 Clear Lake Circuit..... 50  
 Corwith..... 40  
 Dakota and Humboldt..... 60  
 Dows..... 40  
 Duncombe..... 40  
 Garner..... 40  
 Goldfield..... 30  
 Lake Mills..... 50  
 Livermore..... 25  
 Rock..... 35  
 Rowen..... 30  
 Rutland..... 40  
 Swaledale..... 25  
 Wesley..... 50  
 Whittemore..... 50  
 Williams..... 60  
 Aurelia Circuit..... 30  
 Barnum..... 50  
 Cedar Valley..... 30  
 Dayton..... 40  
 Grant City..... 50

Gowrie.....	\$40	Waldo.....	\$80	Quilcene.....	\$80
Jewell.....	80	Walker.....	100	Sidney.....	75
Jolley.....	50	Winona.....	100	Slaughter.....	75
Lehigh.....	50	Norton District.....	220	Sultan.....	75
Lohrville.....	90	Achilles.....	80	Vashon.....	100
Radcliffe.....	50	Almena.....	100	Buckley.....	100
Sac Circuit.....	40	Atwood.....	100	Cosmopolis and Ocosta.....	120
Ayrshire.....	50	Bird City.....	100	Elma.....	200
Everly.....	80	Blakeman.....	100	Hoquiam.....	200
George.....	70	Brewster.....	80	Orting.....	75
Larchwood.....	90	Chardon.....	80	Oakville.....	50
Milford.....	58	Goodland.....	120	Shelton and Shelton Cir-	
Rock Valley.....	90	Goodland Circuit.....	80	cuit.....	75
Sioux Rapids.....	75	Griswold.....	80	South Prairie and Car-	
Superior.....	50	Jackson.....	100	bonado.....	95
Rofe.....	50	Kenona.....	80	Tacoma: Asbury Church.....	140
Sutherland.....	60	Lenora.....	100	Fowler Church.....	100
Paulina.....	25	Logan.....	80	St. Paul's.....	100
Spirit Lake Circuit.....	40	Long Island.....	100	Vaughn.....	75
Authon and Oto.....	50	Marvin.....	110	Avon.....	50
Arthur.....	45	Norcatu.....	100	Anacortes.....	50
Deloit.....	50	Norton Circuit.....	80	Bay View.....	100
Holstein.....	70	Oberlin.....	100	East Sound.....	100
Turin.....	60	Rexford.....	80	Ferndale.....	50
Smithland.....	50	Selden.....	80	Friday Harbor.....	100
Ute.....	75	St. Francis.....	100	Geneva.....	75
West Side.....	50	Osborne District.....	200	La Conner.....	100
Vail.....	50	Alton and Bristow.....	40	Lopez.....	150
Callopo.....	50	Cedarville and Agra.....	80	Lynden.....	50
Hawarden.....	100	Cawker City.....	30	Sedro.....	180
Holly Springs.....	50	Gaylord.....	80	Stanwood.....	75
Mount Hope.....	50	Ionia.....	40	Sumas.....	100
Meriden.....	50	Matteson.....	40	New Whatcom Circuit.....	100
Moville.....	70	Kirwin.....	60	Vancouver District.....	100
Merrill.....	70	Osborne.....	60	Bucoda.....	100
Onawa.....	50	Portis.....	40	Chehalis.....	60
Rock Branch.....	50	Reamsville.....	50	Castle Rock.....	80
Haddock.....	40	Stockton.....	50	Edonia and Salkum.....	100
Leeds.....	80	Webster.....	80	Gray's River.....	60
Whitney.....	50	Woodston.....	80	Kalama and Carrolton.....	60
Missions, 64; Money, \$3,273.		Ada.....	50	Kelso.....	100
North-west Kansas.		Barnard.....	40	La Camas.....	50
Belleville.....	\$40	Bennington.....	40	Marysville.....	100
Blue Hill.....	40	Brookville.....	50	Mossy Rock and Vance.....	70
Burr Oak.....	80	Culver.....	50	Skamokawa.....	100
Cora.....	40	Lamar.....	50	Vancouver Circuit.....	80
Cuba.....	150	Lindsborg.....	70	Willapa.....	112
Fortnosa and Courtland.....	50	Mentor.....	50	Winlock.....	50
Lebanon.....	90	Miltonvale.....	80	Missions, 54; Money, \$4,959.	
Mankato Circuit.....	40	Pottersburg.....	40	Saint John's River.	
Narka.....	50	Missions, 86; Money, \$6,944.		East Florida District.....	\$400
Rice.....	50	Oregon.		Daytona.....	100
Salem.....	40	Grant's Pass District.....	\$600	De Land.....	100
Warwick.....	45	Lakeview.....	100	Green Cove Springs.....	80
Smith Center.....	55	Lowell.....	64	Indian River Mission.....	100
Ellsworth District.....	800	Marshfield.....	300	Lawtey.....	150
Bunker Hill.....	80	Salem District.....	200	Lake George and Como.....	150
Colby and Oakley.....	100	Independence.....	100	New Smyrna.....	140
Fremont.....	100	Yaquina and Newport.....	100	Orange City.....	140
Galatia.....	65	Jefferson.....	80	Welaka.....	140
Grainfield.....	100	Turner.....	40	Windor.....	150
Hays City.....	100	Canby.....	50	Jacksonville Mission.....	100
Hill City.....	100	Clark and South Portland.....	100	Eustis District.....	500
Hoxie.....	140	Lafayette.....	50	Tampa.....	200
Hollyrood.....	50	St. Helens.....	100	Mt. Dora.....	175
Kanopolis.....	75	Tillamook.....	100	Tarpon Springs and St.	
La Crosse.....	100	Missions, 14; Money, \$1,934.		Petersburg.....	175
McCracken.....	75	Puget Sound.		Linnona.....	100
Ogallah.....	85	Bothel.....	\$75	Fruitland Park.....	100
Palco.....	90	Dungeness.....	100	Orlando and Winter Park.....	100
Penoka.....	100	Falls City.....	100	Minneola.....	75
Plainville.....	100	Kirkland.....	92	Candler.....	50
Ransom.....	75	Port Angeles.....	100	Centre Hill and Oka-	
Russell Springs.....	115	Seattle: Asbury Church.....	100	humpka.....	100
Sharon Springs.....	75	Haven Church.....	125	Silver Springs Park.....	75
Shields.....	64	City Mission.....	150	Sorrento.....	100
Sylvan Grove.....	100			Villa City.....	50
Wa Keeney.....	100			Missions, 25; Money, \$3,550.	



<b>Saint Louis.</b>			
Carthage Circuit.....	\$20	Stockton.....	\$50
Carterville.....	50	Stratford.....	50
East Joplin and Webb City.....	140	West Plains Circuit.....	25
Golden City.....	60	Winona.....	40
Joplin.....	45	Willow Springs.....	40
Liberal.....	70	Missions, 88; Money, \$5,491.	
Monett and Neosho.....	55	<b>Savannah.</b>	
Mount Vernon.....	50	Fairburn.....	\$40
Nashville.....	35	Heard.....	40
Nevada.....	100	Hopeville.....	40
Pierce City.....	100	Cross Anchor and Piney Grove.....	100
Phelps Circuit.....	28	Luthersville.....	40
South-west City.....	100	Gainesville District.....	160
Adrian.....	50	Athens.....	100
Austin.....	50	North Atlanta.....	140
City Missionary.....	264	Lithonia.....	60
Assistant City Missionary.....	100	Lavonia.....	85
East Lynn.....	64	Roswell.....	85
Holden Circuit.....	100	Buford.....	85
Howard Memorial.....	200	Hoschton.....	40
Hume and Foster.....	64	White.....	35
Rich Hill.....	100	Woodbury.....	60
Oak Grove.....	100	Barnesville.....	40
Lebanon District.....	176	Locust Grove.....	60
Buffalo Circuit.....	80	Macon District.....	140
Calvey.....	82	Augusta.....	40
Conway.....	45	Millen.....	50
Dixon.....	50	Bulloch.....	25
Houston.....	45	Wadley.....	40
Iberia.....	40	Macon Station.....	140
Lebanon Circuit.....	80	Macon Circuit.....	50
Linn Creek.....	40	Byron.....	30
Marshfield.....	50	Columbus.....	100
Pacific.....	40	Eastman.....	40
Plato.....	40	Cordele.....	40
Roubidoux.....	40	Culloden.....	50
Salem.....	50	Abbeville.....	40
Sullivan.....	40	Swanesboro.....	40
Advance.....	40	Rome District.....	150
Bloomfield.....	40	Cartersville.....	75
Bonne Terre.....	100	Carrollton Circuit.....	25
Cape Girardeau.....	70	Cedartown.....	60
Doe Run.....	75	Chicamauga Park.....	25
Farmington.....	75	Douglas.....	20
Festus.....	60	Marietta.....	60
Fredericktown.....	50	Rome: Second Church.....	30
Graniteville.....	58	Rome Circuit.....	25
Hillsborough.....	40	Tallapoosa.....	80
Ironton.....	60	Appling.....	40
Jennings.....	75	Berrien.....	40
Lutesville.....	40	Homerville.....	40
Marquand.....	40	Jesup.....	80
Perryville.....	40	Humphrey.....	40
Webster.....	40	Montgomery.....	80
Carondelet.....	75	Savannah.....	60
Harlem Place.....	100	St. Mary's.....	80
Tower Grove.....	50	Wareboro.....	40
Aulville.....	100	Valdosta.....	80
Appleton City.....	49	Savannah District.....	151
Clinton Circuit.....	50	Missions, 52; Money, \$2,976.	
Eldorado Springs.....	88	<b>South Carolina.</b>	
Green Ridge.....	49	Charleston District.....	\$460
Marshall.....	49	Black River.....	20
Montgomery Street.....	170	Foreston.....	70
Rockville.....	40	Georgetown.....	50
Schell City.....	50	Mt. Pleasant.....	30
Springfield District.....	174	St. Andrew's.....	40
Ash Grove.....	30	St. Mary's.....	25
Ava.....	40	Santee.....	40
Billings.....	40	Clarendon Mission (new work).....	80
Collins and Arnica.....	25	Florence District.....	30
Gainesville.....	40	Chesterfield.....	100
Galena.....	80	Darlington Circuit.....	200
Hermitage and Wheatland.....	80	Florence.....	40
Ozark and Forsyth.....	30		
Daily Memorial.....	100		
Mount Carmel.....	200		
Seymour and Mansfield.....	40		
		Lynch's River.....	\$20
		Marion.....	80
		Mars Bluff Circuit.....	40
		Marysville.....	40
		New Hope.....	80
		Timmons ville.....	20
		Shiloh.....	20
		Hartsville Mission.....	75
		Greenville District.....	460
		Belton Circuit.....	20
		Black's Circuit.....	20
		Deep Creek Circuit.....	20
		Greenville Mission.....	212
		Gaffney Station.....	20
		Greenwood Circuit.....	20
		Liberty Circuit.....	20
		Newberry Circuit.....	20
		Rock Hill Circuit.....	20
		Seneca Station.....	20
		Seneca Circuit.....	20
		Walhalla Circuit.....	20
		Williamston Circuit.....	20
		York Circuit.....	20
		Orangeburg District.....	460
		Antioch.....	25
		Columbia.....	50
		Lexington.....	75
		Longtown.....	25
		Macedonia.....	50
		Prospect.....	50
		Smithville.....	50
		St. Matthews.....	50
		Wedgfield.....	50
		Beaufort District.....	480
		Allendale.....	8
		Aiken.....	60
		Barnwell.....	82
		Beaufort.....	40
		Combabee.....	8
		Hilton Head and Gillison.....	8
		Hickory Hill.....	10
		Jacksonborough.....	8
		Ridgeville.....	12
		Summerville.....	32
		Springfield.....	12
		Wesley Grove.....	10
		Walterborough.....	8
		Yemassee.....	8
		Pine Grove.....	8
		Aiken Mission.....	80
		St. George Mission.....	80
		St. George Mission, Holly Hill.....	74
		Harley Hill.....	75
		Missions, 66; Money, \$4,464.	
		<b>Southern California.</b>	
		Burbank.....	\$100
		Lancaster.....	100
		Newhall.....	100
		Simi.....	100
		San Pedro.....	100
		Redondo Beach.....	100
		Ivanhoe.....	100
		Artesia.....	80
		Central Avenue.....	80
		Glendale.....	80
		Pico Heights.....	80
		Union Avenue.....	80
		Wesley Chapel.....	80
		North Pasadena.....	80
		South Pasadena.....	70
		Garvanza.....	80
		Whittier.....	55
		Bellevue Avenue.....	50
		Florence.....	50
		Fresno District.....	850
		Fresno Circuit.....	200
		Hanford.....	140



Plano and Porterville....	\$100	Cimarron and Ingalls....	\$50	Alexandria.....	\$25
Traver.....	175	Dighton.....	50	Clarksville.....	30
Merced.....	175	Dodge City.....	100	Cookville.....	10
Delano.....	150	Fowler and Minneola....	100	Gainesborough.....	10
Tehachapi.....	125	Garden City.....	100	Gordonsville.....	25
Waukena.....	100	Hugoton.....	50	Hartsville.....	25
Woodville.....	100	Jetmore.....	100	Liberty.....	10
Anaheim and Fullerton....	100	Johnson.....	25	Mitchellville.....	15
Beaumont and Banning....	50	Lakin.....	100	Mount Zion.....	15
Elsinore.....	125	Leoti.....	50	Nashville: West End....	40
Escondido.....	150	Liberal.....	50	North Lebanon.....	15
Fairview and Newport....	100	Meade.....	150	Springfield.....	36
Murietta.....	100	Ness.....	50	Tennessee River District.	250
Coronado and National		Nonchalanta.....	25	Clifton.....	20
City.....	100	Ravenna.....	25	Adamsville.....	30
Perris Circuit.....	167	Richfield.....	25	Brentwood.....	20
Oceanside Circuit.....	150	Santa Fé.....	25	Franklin.....	30
Poway.....	50	Scott.....	200	Spring Hill.....	35
Rialto.....	50	Spearville.....	50	Lewisburg.....	35
San Bernardino Circuit....	200	Syracuse.....	100	Petersburg.....	35
Westminster.....	100	Tribune.....	100	Cumberland Furnace....	35
Winchester and Florida....	100	Ulysses.....	25	Dickson.....	35
Orange.....	150	Albert.....	50	Lawrenceburg.....	40
Santa Barbara District....	200	Burdette.....	50	Waynesboro.....	35
Adelaide and San Miguel.	75	Canton.....	100	Columbia.....	35
Arroyo Grande.....	75	Garfield.....	75	City Mission.....	30
Creston.....	125	Hoisington.....	50	Paris.....	35
Estrella.....	125	Kinsley.....	150	Linden.....	26
Goleta.....	75	Little River.....	50	Dover.....	30
Gonzales.....	100	Lost Springs.....	50	West Tennessee District.	240
Hueneme.....	150	Marion Circuit.....	50	Alamo and Cypress.....	25
Los Alamos.....	75	McPherson Circuit.....	50	Atoka.....	25
Nipomo.....	100	Rush Center.....	75	Brownsville.....	25
Paso Robles.....	100	Pawnee Rock.....	50	Clarksburg.....	30
Piru.....	50	Arlington.....	50	Crockett's Mill.....	30
San Luis Obispo.....	100	Annelley.....	60	Friendship.....	25
Santa Barbara, East Side	125	Chelsea.....	50	Fowlkes.....	30
Santa Margarita and Poso	100	Florence.....	60	Galloway.....	25
Missions, 59; Money, \$6,447.		Heston.....	60	Gardner.....	25
South Kansas.		Avenue "F" and S.		Mason Station.....	25
Climax.....	50	Hutchinson.....	150	Mason Circuit.....	25
Cedar Point.....	40	Macksville.....	50	Martin.....	25
Cottonwood Falls.....	60	Pontiac.....	40	Memphis Circuit.....	29
Coyville.....	50	Potwin.....	50	Memphis Mission.....	25
Fall River.....	50	Stafford.....	130	Porter Chapel.....	22
Melvorn.....	45	Sylvia.....	50	Kenton Circuit.....	25
Matfield.....	40	Turon.....	50	Huntingdon.....	25
Quenemo.....	50	Augusta.....	60	Warren Chapel.....	25
Emporia: Grace Church....	200	Cheney.....	50	Nashville District.....	250
Galena.....	240	Douglas Circuit.....	50	Beech Grove.....	20
Osage Mission.....	100	Greensburg.....	150	Farmington.....	40
Pittsburg Circuit.....	138	Kingman Circuit.....	50	Flat Rock & Lumsden Hill	70
Weir City.....	110	Mulvane.....	60	Fox Camp.....	30
Altamont.....	70	Nashville.....	40	Hillsboro and Manchester	25
Cedarvale.....	80	Saratoga.....	150	McMinnville.....	40
Chautauqua and Peru.....	60	Spivey.....	40	McMinnville Circuit.....	43
Dennis.....	50	Wellsford.....	50	Murfreesborough Circuit..	20
Liberty.....	50	Dodge Avenue.....	150	Nolensville.....	35
Longton.....	50	North Wichita.....	100	Sparta Station.....	20
Labette.....	60	Akron and Rock.....	80	Sparta Circuit.....	20
Sedan.....	50	Attika.....	60	Spencer Circuit.....	25
Waukena.....	40	Caldwell.....	50	Stone River.....	30
La Fontaine.....	60	Coldwater.....	90	Tullahoma.....	28
Buffalo.....	50	Freeport.....	50	Missions, 64; Money, \$2,625.	
La Harpe.....	50	Gaude Springs.....	80	Texas.	
Moran.....	40	Hazelton.....	80	Houston District.....	\$160
North Ottawa.....	100	Kiowa.....	100	Brazoria Circuit.....	35
Osawatimie.....	100	Milan.....	60	Harrisburg Circuit.....	25
Richmond.....	50	Oxford.....	65	Houston: Boynton.....	65
Somerseset.....	50	South Haven.....	60	St. James.....	50
Welda.....	50	Udall.....	60	Sloane Street.....	40
Missions, 81; Money, \$2,283.		New Salem.....	50	Oyster Creek Circuit.....	25
South-west Kansas.		Lake City.....	60	Beaumont.....	20
Garden City District.....	\$600	Maple City.....	50	Liberty.....	20
Ashland.....	100	Missions, 77; Money, \$5,950.		Richmond Circuit.....	20
Beaver.....	50	Tennessee.		Wallisville.....	15
Bucklin.....	100	Cumberland River Dis-	\$200	Orange.....	20
		trict.....		Huntsville District.....	410

Colmeanell.....	\$45
Cold Spring Circuit.....	20
Dodge Circuit.....	15
Huntsville Circuit.....	10
Corriegan Circuit.....	30
Montgomery Circuit.....	15
Prairie Plain Circuit.....	15
Livingston Circuit.....	15
Marshall District.....	400
Dangerfield Circuit.....	20
Hawkins Circuit.....	30
Jefferson Circuit.....	20
Mallalien.....	120
Marshall Circuit.....	20
Mineola Circuit.....	45
Pleasant Grove.....	20
Pittsburg.....	40
Red Oak and Longview.....	40
Navasota District.....	200
Anderson.....	25
Belleville Circuit.....	25
Brenham Circuit.....	25
Bryan Circuit.....	25
Bryan.....	24
Cold Well Circuit.....	20
Navasota Circuit.....	20
Hempstead Circuit.....	14
San Felipe Circuit.....	10
Palestine District.....	460
Buffalo and Hopewell.....	30
Steward Mill.....	30
Franklin Circuit.....	25
Cotton Gin and Fairfield.....	20
San Augustine.....	25
Jacksonville Circuit.....	40
Butler Circuit.....	25
Nacogdoche.....	30
New Birmingham.....	40
Palestine Circuit.....	20
Sutton.....	40
Paris District.....	475
Bonham.....	50
Cooper Circuit.....	20
De Kalb Circuit.....	30
Free Hope Circuit.....	20
Honey Grove.....	55
Greenville & Sulphur.....	40
Red River Circuit.....	20
Texarkana.....	80
Wolfe City Circuit.....	40
Blossom Circuit.....	20
Gibson Circuit.....	25
Brookston Circuit.....	80
Missions, 66; Money, \$3,963.	
<b>Upper Mississippi.</b>	
Aberdeen District.....	\$300
Columbus Circuit.....	20
Caledonia Circuit.....	20
Okolona Circuit.....	18
Shannon Circuit.....	18
Tupelo Circuit.....	20
West Point Circuit.....	20
Cumberland Mission to be divided as follows:	
Woodland.....	200
Mabin.....	35
Reeds.....	125
Itawamba.....	40
Corinth District.....	300
Ackerman Circuit.....	20
Corinth Circuit.....	18
Bellfontain Circuit.....	20
Bell Circuit.....	20
French Camp Circuit.....	20
Greensboro Circuit.....	18
Houston Circuit.....	20
Louisville Circuit.....	22
New Albany Circuit.....	16

Pontotoc Circuit.....	\$18
Ripley Circuit.....	86
Sturges Circuit.....	20
Tampico Circuit.....	20
Greenville District.....	404
Arcola Circuit.....	25
Clarksdale Circuit.....	25
Dublin Circuit.....	20
Fasonia Circuit.....	20
Gunnison Circuit.....	15
Greenville Circuit.....	160
Hollywood Circuit.....	48
Helm Circuit.....	25
Indianola Circuit.....	20
Jamestown Circuit.....	25
Stormsville Circuit.....	20
Shelby Circuit.....	45
Webb Circuit.....	36
Woodburn Circuit.....	20
Holly Springs District.....	300
Water Valley.....	24
Vaiden.....	17
Bright Prospect.....	15
Grenada.....	24
Holly Springs.....	20
Hernando.....	20
Lodi.....	20
Oxford.....	12
Batesville.....	12
Yazoo River District.....	300
Bee Lake Circuit.....	20
Crawford Circuit.....	20
Carrollton Circuit.....	20
Deer Brook Circuit.....	20
Lexington Circuit.....	20
McCool Circuit.....	25
Mashulaville Circuit.....	12
Kosciusko Circuit.....	20
Tchula Circuit.....	85
West Station Circuit.....	20
Shuqualak Circuit.....	20
Pickens Circuit.....	30
Missions, 68; Money, \$3,360.	

**Vermont.**

East Topsham.....	\$23
Guysville and Bethel.....	
Lymus.....	
Granville and Hancock.....	
Middlesex.....	
Bethel Gilead.....	
Waits River and West Topsham.....	
Worcester.....	
Danville.....	
Greensboro and Stannard.....	
Glover.....	
Guildhall.....	
Lowell.....	
Newport.....	
Newport Center and Troy.....	
Sheffield and Wheelock.....	
Cambridge.....	
Colchester.....	
East Elmore.....	
Isle La Motte.....	
Johnson.....	
Montgomery.....	
Wolcott.....	
Bonville.....	
Jacksonville.....	
Landgrove.....	
Mechanicsville.....	
South Reading.....	
Wardsborough.....	
West Bradford.....	
Williamsville.....	
Missions, 80; Money, \$1,177.	

**Virginia.**

Abingdon District.....	\$240
Gladeville.....	100
Lee.....	75
Marion.....	90
Mendota.....	100
New Garden.....	80
Nickelsville.....	90
Powells River.....	100
Russell.....	100
Scott.....	90
Tazewell.....	90
Wise.....	100
Alexandria District.....	210
Berryville.....	100
Herdson.....	170
Fairfax.....	80
Falls Church.....	50
Manassas.....	140
Falmouth & Greenwood.....	80
Norfolk.....	250
Claremont.....	80
Old Point.....	100
Greenbrier District.....	200
Augusta and Sherando.....	60
Forest Hill.....	80
Pendleton.....	50
Lewisburg.....	80
Highland.....	30
Poahontas.....	60
Paint Bank.....	30
Rich Patch.....	70
Ronceverte.....	50
Roanoke District.....	200
Auburn.....	100
Eagle Rock.....	100
Franklin.....	100
Grayson.....	125
New River.....	50
Roanoke City.....	215
Roanoke Charge.....	125
Rockbridge.....	75
Radford.....	50
Wythe.....	100
Missions, 48; Money, \$5,470.	

**Washington.**

Alexandria District.....	\$160
Bedford Springs.....	50
Charlottesville.....	50
Fincastle.....	50
Leesburg.....	30
Motley.....	50
Rocky Mount.....	50
Richmond.....	50
Stewardsville.....	50
Salem.....	80
Waterford.....	33
Gunpowder.....	20
Gettysburg, Pa.....	65
Hagerstown.....	35
Harrisburg, Pa.....	37
Libertytown.....	60
Norfolk, Va.....	35
Northern Neck, Va.....	35
Waugh Chapel.....	50
Staunton District.....	138
Douglas Grove.....	17
Front Royal.....	20
Hedgesville.....	20
Hillsborough.....	20
Jefferson.....	20
Lowmore.....	35
New Market.....	20
Ronceverte.....	20
Red Sulphur Springs.....	30
Shepherdstown.....	20
Talcott.....	40

Union .....	\$20	Ringold .....	\$60	Waco District .....	\$800
Warm Springs .....	25	Sargent .....	75	Bremond, L. B., and E. .....	75
White Hall .....	20	Stanley and Miller .....	75	Blooming Grove Circuit .....	40
Central .....	100	Sumner .....	80	Corsicana, D., and H. ....	50
Dayton .....	200	Taylor .....	100	Dallas .....	40
Wheeling District .....	300	Theford and Mullen .....	100	Dennison and Pilot Point .....	60
Alleghany .....	50	Walnut Grove .....	80	Fort Worth and Willis .....	60
Buckhannon .....	35	Sidney District .....	600	Chapel .....	100
Clarksburg .....	25	Alpha .....	75	Groesbeck .....	40
Grafton .....	30	Blue Creek .....	75	Gain sville .....	100
Keyser City .....	80	Brady Island .....	75	Marlin & Bowman Chapel .....	30
Moorefield .....	30	Big Springs .....	75	Marlin Circuit .....	50
Monsfield .....	50	Chappell .....	50	Mexia Circuit .....	50
Point Pleasant .....	30	Eisey .....	80	Milford and Italy .....	42
Snow Hill .....	30	Grant .....	75	Waco Circuit .....	50
Missions, 46; Money, \$2,180.		Gandy .....	50	Missions, 51; Money, \$3,968.	
		Geering .....	120		
		Harrisburg .....	125		
		Hays Center .....	70		

## West Nebraska.

Chadron District .....	\$600
Alliance .....	200
Atkinson .....	80
Ainsworth .....	180
Bassett .....	90
Chadron .....	280
Chadron Circuit .....	100
Conquest .....	40
Crawford .....	100
Gordon .....	80
Harrison .....	120
Hay Springs .....	120
Hemingford and Box Butte .....	120
Long Pine .....	80
Marsland .....	80
Merriman .....	20
Mirage .....	80
Springview .....	100
Stuart .....	80
Valentine .....	120
Valentine Circuit .....	60
Butte City .....	30
Whitney .....	70
Indianola District .....	200
Alma .....	65
Atlanta .....	70
Axtell .....	55
Arapahoe .....	75
Bertrand .....	60
Box Elder .....	60
Bartley .....	80
Benkleman .....	70
Benkleman Circuit .....	70
Danbury and Ash Creek .....	75
Elwood .....	75
Franklin .....	75
Holdrege Circuit .....	60
Haigher and Allston .....	75
Minden Circuit .....	60
Oxford and Orleans .....	60
Palisade Circuit .....	60
Republican City .....	100
Riverton .....	75
Stratton and Trenton .....	70
Wilsonville and Hendley .....	70
Upland and Norman .....	60
Kearney District .....	200
Anselmo .....	40
Ansley .....	100
Arcadia .....	75
Arnold .....	55
Callaway .....	75
Gothenburg .....	75
Kearney: Trinity .....	250
Loup City .....	75
Litchfield .....	90
Mason .....	40
North Loup .....	90
Plain Valley .....	75
Ravenna .....	100

Imperial .....	75
Kiawa .....	75
Kimble .....	100
Lodge Pole .....	100
Minetare .....	75
Maywood .....	75
Madrid .....	125
McPherson .....	75
North Platte Circuit .....	90
Ogalalla .....	150
Paxton .....	75
Reddington .....	75
Sidney .....	200
Stockville .....	75
Union Valley .....	75
Wauweta .....	100
Missions, 95; Money, \$9,388.	

## West Texas.

Austin District .....	\$300
Bastrop and Smithville .....	28
Burnett and Lampasas .....	60
Belton and Temple .....	60
Brownwood and San Saba .....	100
Cedar Creek .....	60
Davilla Circuit .....	60
Georgetown and Taylor .....	70
Mayfield and Point Sul-ivan .....	65
Manor .....	50
Simpson Mission, Mount Salem .....	80
Winchester & West Point .....	70
Columbus District .....	75
Alleyton and Eagle Lake .....	75
Columbus Circuit .....	45
Ellinger and Industry .....	60
Edna and Wharton .....	65
Fannin and Mission Val-ley .....	40
Hallettsville .....	47
La Grange .....	55
La Grange Circuit .....	55
Sublime Mission .....	80
Schulenburg .....	75
San Antonio District .....	810
Belmont .....	40
Berno & Fredericksburg .....	70
Cuero, New Hope, and Yoakum .....	55
Floresville & Riddleville .....	50
Goliad, Beeville, & Copra .....	60
Gonzales .....	100
Gonzales Circuit .....	60
Hondo Circuit .....	60
Lavernia & Mt. Pleasant .....	100
Lockhart and San Marcos .....	60
Pleasanton Circuit .....	25
Seguin .....	50
Walder and Flatonia .....	50

## West Virginia.

Freemansburg .....	\$25
Beverly .....	100
Camden .....	40
East Buckhannon .....	25
Elkins .....	70
Hacker's Valley .....	80
Helvetia .....	60
Mingo .....	60
Charleston District .....	168
Calhoun .....	50
Danaville .....	50
East Charleston .....	50
Elk City .....	200
Fisher's .....	64
Noble .....	50
Ripley .....	80
Raymond City .....	64
Walton .....	50
Marion .....	60
Enterprise .....	50
Pine Grove .....	60
Smithton .....	110
Parker's .....	50
Bridgeport .....	70
Huntington District .....	225
Cassville .....	60
Ceredo .....	75
Coal River .....	40
East Hamlin .....	20
East Huntington .....	100
Fairfield .....	50
Guyandotte .....	90
Hamlen .....	65
Huntington Circuit .....	65
Laurel Hill .....	20
Milton .....	90
Monticello .....	90
St. Albans .....	90
Winfield .....	70
Winifrede .....	50
Littleton .....	90
Palatine .....	50
Mt. Zion .....	82
Tunnelton .....	100
Masontown .....	80
New River District .....	200
Boone .....	70
Clay .....	91
Claremont .....	100
Concord .....	100
Fayette .....	50
Flat Top .....	60
Hinton .....	100
Logan .....	60
Oceana .....	60
Olville .....	100
Ophelia .....	60
Pleasant Retreat .....	25
Rowlesburg .....	50
Terra Alta .....	50

Aurora.....	\$25	Springville.....	\$25	Hickory and Oconto Falls	\$80
Hannahsville.....	75	West Salem.....	50	Kaukauna.....	95
Cranesville.....	20	Whitehall.....	50	Marion and Bear Creek..	40
Deer Park.....	110	Mazomanie.....	60	Mattoon.....	50
Hambleton.....	60	Juda.....	45	Oconto.....	100
Red Creek.....	50	Prairie du Chien.....	55	Peshigo.....	40
Albrightsville.....	50	Avoca.....	55	Rhinelander.....	90
Thomas.....	50	Black Earth.....	50	Seymour & Black Creek..	50
Missions, 78; Money, \$5,489.		Bewey.....	100	Shawano.....	40
West Wisconsin.		Baraboo, South.....	200	Sturgeon Bay and Jack-	
Ashland District.....	\$350	Coloma.....	40	sonport.....	40
Alabama.....	40	Kendall.....	40	Suamico and Mill Center.	40
Barron.....	50	Kilbourn City.....	100	Tomahawk.....	200
Bayfield.....	150	New Lisbon.....	80	Columbus.....	100
Cadott.....	75	Point Bluff.....	80	Campbellsport.....	100
Chelsea, Rib Lake, and		Strong's Prairie.....	40	Fox Lake.....	70
Westboro.....	50	Tomah.....	80	Juneau.....	100
Chetek.....	60	Westfield.....	80	Kingston.....	80
Colby and Abbottsford...	50	Wilton and Ridgeville...	40	Lowell.....	50
Cumberland.....	75	Wonewoc.....	40	Watertown.....	150
Hurley.....	125	Missions, 51; Money, \$4,115.		West Bend.....	100
Marshfield.....	125	Wilmington.		Sheboygan Falls.....	64
Medford.....	75	Reed's Wharf.....	\$250	Jefferson.....	50
Osceola Mills.....	50	Parkley.....	244	Epworth Chapel.....	400
Prairie Farm.....	50	Cape Charles City.....	200	Simpson.....	200
Rice Lake.....	100	New Church & Hallwood	100	Mitchell Heights.....	400
St. Croix Falls.....	50	Dorchester.....	400	North Greenfield.....	200
Shell Lake.....	75	Lakesville.....	95	North Milwaukee.....	150
South Superior.....	300	Bucktown.....	100	Racine, Union Church...	200
Spencer and Unity.....	50	Missions, 7; Money, \$1,389.		Clemansville.....	50
Turtle Lake.....	50	Wisconsin.		Dartford.....	50
Washburn.....	200	Abrams & Coularville..	\$30	Eureka and Poygan.....	50
Clear Lake.....	80	Ahnapee.....	125	Montello.....	40
Eau Claire Circuit.....	100	Amherst.....	40	Oshkosh, Second Church	100
Elsworth.....	40	Angelica and Maple		Poysippi.....	50
Fairchild.....	40	Grove.....	80	Princeton.....	50
Knapp.....	50	Clintonville.....	35	Stockbridge, Brant, and	
Modena.....	50	De Pere.....	40	Gravesville.....	60
Pepin.....	40	Florence and Common-		Silver Lake Circuit.....	50
Arcadia.....	70	wealth.....	225	Wautoma and Wild Rose..	40
Coleman Church.....	175			Waupaca Circuit.....	50
Onalaska.....	50			Winneconne.....	50
				Oshkosh Circuit.....	50
				Missions, 48; Money, \$4,464.	



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## MISSIONS.

	Missionaries.	Assistant Missionaries.	Workers W. Home Missionary Society.	Native Ordained Preachers.	Native Unordained Preachers.	Teachers.	Local Preachers.	Members.	Probationers.	Average Attendance on Sunday Worship.	Conversions during the Year.	Adults Baptized.	Children Baptized.	No. of Day-schools.
American Indians...	13	...	...	...	...	...	26	1,340	236	...	...	23	104	...
Welsh...	4	...	...	...	...	...	3	216	15	...	...	...	6	...
French...	6	...	...	...	...	...	3	109	64	...	...	12	4	...
German...	272	...	...	...	...	...	188	16,840	2,355	...	...	28	2,178	...
Scandinavian...	170	...	...	...	...	...	138	8,835	1,272	...	...	102	1,333	...
Chinese and Japanese...	4	...	...	...	...	...	13	357	91	...	...	64	4	...
Bohemian...	5	...	...	...	...	...	2	408	68	...	...	9	95	...
Italian...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	116	12	...	...	11	6	...
Portuguese...	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	374	103	...	...	...	...	...
Arizona...	17	...	...	...	...	...	2	717	163	...	...	23	31	...
Black Hills...	45	...	...	...	...	...	38	2,134	228	...	...	157	37	...
Indian Mission Conference...	16	...	...	...	...	...	3	438	87	...	...	25	64	...
New Mexico, English...	19	...	...	...	...	...	13	1,118	543	...	...	12	61	...
New Mexico, Spanish...	33	23	3	...	...	40	6	1,078	350	10,000	...	23	74	23
Utah...	20	...	...	...	...	...	22	811	93	...	...	33	71	...
Nevada...	18	...	...	...	...	...	4	596	160	...	...	20	27	...
Wyoming...	2,711	...	...	...	...	...	2,523	213,690	34,305	...	...	15,115	8,251	...
English-speaking Conferences...	3,372	23	8	...	...	40	3,289	249,089	40,306	10,000	...	15,767	12,454	25
Grand total...	3,526	36	10	22	25	3,593	264,242	41,562	885	749	14,873	13,609	27	...

NOTE.—The statistics of Domestic Missions are necessarily very imperfect. In the different Conferences, only the membership of the churches receiving help from the Society in 1891 are counted, so that a decrease of membership may indicate an increase of self-support. Only 16,840 German members are counted in the above summary, whereas the membership of the German Conferences in the United States

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

No. of Sabbath-schools.	No. of Sabbath Scholars.	No. of Orphans.	No. of Churches and Chapels.	Estimated Value of Churches and Chapels.	No. of Halls and other Places of Worship.	No. of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Estimated Value of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Value of Orphanages, Schools, Hospitals, Book Rooms, &c.	Debt on Real Estate.	Collected for Missionary Society.	Collected for other Benevolent Societies.	Collected for Self-support.	Collected for Church Building and Repairing.	Collected for other Local Purposes.	Volumes Printed during the Year.	Pages Printed during the Year.
37	2,691	..	35	\$33,187	1	1	\$150	.....	\$1,225	\$24	\$20	\$1,208	\$1,776	\$394	.....	.....
44	3,587	18	27	189,100	38	4	19,200	.....	1,200	564	495	23,642	3,447	2,505	.....	.....
131	3,313	24	90	37,745	34	11	34,200	\$20,800	.....	354	166	1,522	2,467	545	156,870	1,035,460
20	675	29	17	20,700	23	15	57,800	42,842	.....	163	7	759	427	526	14,500	2,412,615
14	1,177	18	18	26,110	17	21	65,330	26,500	.....	567	20	495	50	207	.....	.....
1	100	1	1	2,500	2	3	7,000	5,500	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	23	.....	.....
292	11,631	5	76	436,177	362	21	.....	51,520	170,397	1,175	6,448	13,900	8,261	15,575	.....	.....
196	14,177	..	29	203,234	82	6	25,226	.....	74,815	775	7,435	7,735	4,311	13,120	.....	.....
213	16,682	..	101	258,981	49	18	11,016	.....	100,019	4,319	4,934	14,756	12,495	19,739	.....	.....
60	5,244	..	41	151,339	8	9	3,893	.....	42,897	1,238	669	4,808	4,285	14,465	.....	.....
32	3,068	..	10	94,095	101	9	21,870	4,475	8,870	861	386	4,223	502	3,315	.....	1,641,700
824	32,133	200	69	120,601	7	104	152,560	247,436	.....	709	6,306	4,408	7,230	38,228	.....	63,945,589
103	7,663	142	27	90,040	6	15	43,420	24,124	21,896	123	240	13,651	2,763	2,677	.....	.....
118	5,228	..	14	171,968	..	11	89,300	31,000	29,200	412	2,261	17,712	2,026	9,458	.....	.....
5	150	..	1	10,000	..	1	4,500	.....	.....	40	.....	1,235	.....	50	.....	.....
9	232	..	3	7,200	..	1	11,572	12,700	.....	84	141	122	.....	.....	1,600	546,000
23	553	42	9	91,500	28	7	15,500	49,000	38,300	215	23	1,023	831	445	.....	350,000
75	4,155	..	38	28,767	48	24	41,040	96,480	.....	179	301	1,651	2,570	2,490	54,250	2,645,250
55	1,797	80	33	55,050	32	17	73,950	74,327	2,233	400	221	6,429	431	518	97,300	2,039,800
2	76	..	4	2,000	4	6	22,900	22,100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10,100	.....
2,255	111,365	475	623	\$2,027,284	850	301	\$700,457	\$763,804	\$491,126	\$12,255	\$29,961	\$119,247	\$53,872	\$123,980	369,605	89,639,529
2,187	102,085	1,000	581	1,872,553	878	347	514,760	576,845	469,896	11,364	13,246	126,131	53,540	100,668	945,922	57,126,364

NOTE.—The statistics of North India for members, probationers, and baptisms are from the report at the Conference of 1892; as are those of South India for members and probationers. The remainder of the figures are from the Conference report of 1891. There are a few other cases in which the figures of this summary differ from those in the body of the report. Those of the summary are the latest.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

No. of Sabbath-schools.	No. of Sabbath Scholars.	No. of Churches and Chapels.	Estimated Value of Churches and Chapels.	No. of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Estimated Value of Parsonages, or "Homes."	Debt on Real Estate.	Collected for Missionary Society.	Collected for other Benevolent Societies.	Collected for Self-support.	Collected for Church Building and Repairing.	Collected for other Local Purposes.
11	417	16	\$15,400	6	\$3,900	\$826	\$145	\$54	\$3,080	\$776	\$255
4	223	3	24,800	..	.....	8,500	64	29	2,424	84	636
7	272	2	6,500	1	2,000	.....	49	6	2,465	771	771
421	23,490	353	1,317,936	199	295,260	109,784	16,802	14,788	146,316	77,297	28,323
164	7,732	166	675,290	73	80,365	151,306	7,154	2,611	55,629	65,131	16,396
7	325	4	25,000	..	.....	.....	631	104	422	.....	290
14	2,036	1	14,000	..	.....	.....	277	234	4,775	300	1,178
3	247	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	14	38	170	208	.....
15	952	11	42,500	7	16,150	1,450	684	320	6,120	4,885	915
28	1,326	17	44,060	9	7,950	7,744	750	287	7,856	4,992	1,413
54	2,469	23	24,905	11	4,600	3,300	94	129	3,680	3,757	600
19	1,250	9	39,500	5	6,275	4,672	696	577	5,637	2,130	1,347
27	600	19	27,400	12	14,200	.....	254	75	985	1,551	128
35	2,000	36	288,000	10	14,000	24,725	1,326	697	7,260	24,723	3,329
39	2,246	27	72,650	23	22,750	8,725	874	344	16,599	5,511	.....
24	1,121	11	43,750	6	12,200	6,422	463	414	7,894	5,919	1,181
4,605	232,647	3,933	5,514,319	1,075	692,550	595,463	35,698	32,260	868,233	431,697	91,050
5,477	279,342	4,631	\$8,176,010	1,437	\$1,172,180	\$874,917	\$16,075	\$52,967	\$1,139,545	\$626,083	\$148,020
5,583	279,403	4,635	6,945,070	1,391	1,048,755	775,111	61,467	46,309	1,113,068	632,395	129,901

is over 52,000, who may all be fairly claimed as the result of mission work, which may also be said of the more than 12,000 Scandinavian members. In the column for missionaries every preacher is counted who receives aid from the Society, however little.

# RECEIPTS FROM THE BEGINNING.

DATES.		Contributions by Conferences.	Legacies.	Sundries.	Bible Society.	Total.
Received during the year 1820.						\$823 04
"	"	1821				2,323 78
"	"	1822				2,547 39
"	"	1823				5,427 14
"	"	1824				3,589 92
"	"	1825				4,140 16
"	"	1826				4,964 11
"	"	1827				6,512 49
"	"	1828				6,245 17
"	"	1829				14,176 11
"	"	1830				18,128 63
"	"	1831				9,950 57
"	"	1832				11 879 66
"	"	1833				17,097 05
"	"	1834				35,700 15
"	"	1835				30,492 21
"	"	1836				59,517 16
"	"	1837				57,096 05
"	"	1838				96,087 36
"	"	1839				132,480 29
"	"	1840				136,410 87
"	"	1841				139,925 76
"	"	1842				139,473 25
"	"	1843				144,770 80
"	"	1844				146,575 78
"	"	1845				94,562 27
"	"	1846				69,528 26
"	"	1847				75,982 73
"	"	1848				81,600 84
"	"	1849				84,245 15
May 1, 1849, to April 30,	1850.				\$200 00	105,579 54
"	1851.				1,000 00	126,971 31
"	1851,	1852.	\$133,234 44	\$2,304 68	500 00	151,982 50
"	1852, to Dec. 31,	1853.	298,473 39	21,262 08	1,500 00	385, 65 39
Jan. 1, 1854,	"	1854.	211,932 01	4,930 74	2,100 00	226,422 05
"	"	1855	204,464 86	6,924 17	3,000 00	214,399 03
"	"	1856	199,996 59	7,784 81	1,100 00	208,441 92
"	"	1857.	247,753 18	8,544 96	1,000 00	256,298 14
"	"	1858	220,987 64	8,813 55	3,300 00	232,101 19
"	"	1859.	243,863 44	8,824 64	3,000 00	255,688 08
"	"	1860.	236,269 21	10,109 97	5,500 00	251,879 18
"	"	1861.	222,709 28	10,051 44	6,000 00	238,760 72
"	"	1862.	241,247 29	12,374 78	4,250 00	253,872 07
"	"	1863	288,109 18	16,941 24	7,875 00	312,925 42
"	"	1864.	497,867 17	22,172 93	12,975 00	533,015 10
"	"	1865.	557,569 41	12,765 76	9,000 00	579,335 17
"	"	1866.	641,450 32	13,636 79	11,000 00	666,087 11
"	"	1867.	558,520 35	28,532 17	4,060 00	591,112 52
"	"	1868.	575,624 90	11,909 86	5,560 00	593,094 76
"	"	1869.	576,397 48	27,618 21	8,500 00	612,515 69
"	"	1870, to Oct. 31,	576,774 10	12,194 45	14,210 92	603,179 47
Nov. 1, 1870,	"	1871.	603,421 70	11,456 41	5,775 22	620,653 33
"	"	1872.	627,641 60	10,364 16	8,581 14	646,586 86
"	"	1873.	647,103 76	15,877 83	17,915 50	678,897 09
"	"	1874.	618,004 99	47,603 37	3,250 84	668,859 20
"	"	1875.	618,927 12	85,123 15	9,471 96	713,522 23
"	"	1876.	533,594 45	51,333 09	13,435 62	600,363 16
"	"	1877.	566,765 66	39,616 74	9,255 84	615,637 26
"	"	1878.	477,166 15	41,632 12	22,094 85	540,893 12
"	"	1879.	480,425 90	58,815 55	8,790 00	547,931 45
"	"	1880.	500,182 46	84,710 27	1,300 00	586,192 73
"	"	1881.	570,965 77	39,863 26	2,000 00	612,829 03
"	"	1882.	621,381 08	48,650 09	4,300 00	674,331 17
"	"	1883.	650,771 54	78,091 32	4,100 00	732,962 86
"	"	1884.	652,183 99	49,970 02	2,200 00	704,354 01
"	"	1885.	694,034 95	101,901 83	4,100 00	799,036 78
"	"	1886.	836,592 37	134,955 21	4,200 00	975,747 58
"	"	1887.	932,218 91	35,343 73	6,825 00	974,387 64
"	"	1888.	928,596 38	41,937 67	*5,425 00	975,959 05
"	"	1889.	1,014,082 09	92,125 25	*6,535 00	1,112,742 34
"	"	1890.	1,001,642 04	58,681 26	*4,870 00	1,065,193 30
"	"	1891.	1,100,713 04	117,515 44	*4,200 00	1,222,428 48
Total receipts from the beginning...		21,589,728 04	1,367,738 05	780,514 86	235,457 50	23,973,438 45

\* In the Treasurer's Report these amounts are included under the head of "Sundries."

† This includes \$22,169.23 contributed for "Contingent Appropriations," and reported separately in the Treasurer's Report.

## APPROPRIATIONS OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY FOR 1892.

Appropriated to Fields as follows:

### INDIA—

For North India Conference.....	\$56,174
“ South India “ .....	25,060
“ Bengal “ .....	8,843

Total for India.....	\$90,077
MALAYSIA .....	2,553

### CHINA—

For North China.....	\$25,680
“ South China.....	17,691
“ Central China.....	10,604

Total for China.....	\$53,975
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JAPAN.....	53,694
KOREA.....	9,436
MEXICO.....	25,759
BULGARIA.....	4,450
SOUTH AMERICA.....	15,475
ITALY.....	4,689

Grand total.....	\$260,108
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For sending out new missionaries, buildings, and contingent fund	17,892
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Aggregate of all appropriations .....	\$278,000
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MRS. J. T. GRACEY,

*Secretary General Executive Committee.*

## APPROPRIATIONS OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY FOR 1892.

	Unconditional.	Conditional.
South .....	\$18,599	\$17,750
Indian .....	7,879	1,500
Utah.....	5,935	.....
New Mexico—Spanish.....	3,070	4,080
New Mexico—Indian.....	4,475	2,000
Alaska.....	1,760	10,000
Immigrant.....	7,849	77,620
Deaconess.....	.....	34,150
Conference.....	.....	6,600
City.....	.....	7,500
Mothers' Jewels Home.....	3,730	16,000
Beneficiaries.....	.....	3,130
Incidental Expenses.....	4,000	.....
Total .....	\$58,007	\$184,580

**NOTE.**—The term “conditional” as here used means that the fund to which it is applied is to be raised for the work indicated; and the amounts so marked will not be expended unless they are specially provided for the purpose.

DELIA L. WILLIAMS,

*Chairman Finance Committee.*



## ACT OF INCORPORATION.

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AN ACT *to Amend the Charter of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.* Passed April 4, 1873.

*The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows :*

SECTION 1. The Act entitled "An Act to Amend the Charter of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church," passed April fourteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine; also the Act entitled "An Act to Consolidate the several Acts relating to the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church into one Act, and to amend the same," passed April eleventh, eighteen hundred and fifty-nine; and the Act entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church," passed April ninth, eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, and the several Acts amendatory thereof, and relating to the said Society, are respectively hereby amended and consolidated into one Act; and the several provisions thereof, as thus amended and consolidated, are comprised in the following sections:

SEC. 2. All persons associated, or who may become associated, together in the Society above named are constituted a body corporate, by the name and style of "The Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church," and are hereby declared to have been such body corporate since the passage of said Act of April ninth, eighteen hundred and thirty-nine; and such Corporation is and shall be capable of purchasing, holding, and conveying such real estate as the purposes of the said corporation shall require; but the annual income of the estate held by it at any one time, within the State of New York, shall not exceed the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars.

SEC. 3. The objects of the said Corporation are charitable and religious; designed to diffuse more generally the blessings of education and Christianity, and to promote and support missionary schools and Christian missions throughout the United States and Territories, and also in foreign countries.

SEC. 4. The management and disposition of the affairs and property of the said Corporation shall be vested in a Board of Managers, composed of thirty-two laymen of the Methodist Episcopal Church and thirty-two traveling ministers of the Methodist Episcopal Church, appointed by the General Conference of said Church at its quadrennial sessions, and of the Bishops of said Church, who shall be *ex officio* members of said

Board. Such Managers as were appointed by said General Conference at its last session shall be entitled to act as such from and after the passage of this Act, until they or others appointed by the ensuing General Conference shall assume their duties. Any such Board of Managers may fill any vacancy happening therein until the term shall commence of the Managers appointed by an ensuing General Conference; said Board of Managers shall have such power as may be necessary for the management and disposition of the affairs and property of said Corporation, in conformity with the Constitution of said Society as it now exists, or as it may be from time to time amended by the General Conference, and to elect the officers of the Society, except as herein otherwise provided; and such Board of Managers shall be subordinate to any directions or regulations made, or to be made, by said General Conference.

SEC. 5. Thirteen members of the said Board of Managers, at any meeting thereof, shall be a sufficient number for the transaction of business. The Corresponding Secretaries, the Treasurer, and the Assistant Treasurer of said Society shall be elected by the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and shall hold their office for four years, and until their successors are elected; and in case of a vacancy by resignation, death, or otherwise the Bishops of the said Methodist Episcopal Church shall fill any vacancy in the office till the ensuing General Conference. And until the next session of the General Conference said Board of Managers may appoint and remove at pleasure the Treasurer and the Assistant Treasurer of said Corporation; and the latter officer may exercise his duties, as the Board may direct, in any State.

SEC. 6. The said Corporation shall be capable of taking, receiving, or holding any real estate, by virtue of any devise contained in any last will and testament of any person whomsoever; subject, however, to the limitation expressed in the second section of this Act as to the aggregate amount of such real estate, and also to the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act Relating to Wills," passed April thirteen, eighteen hundred and sixty; and the said Corporation shall be also competent to act as a Trustee in respect to any devise or bequest pertaining to the objects of said Corporation, and devises and bequests of real or personal property may be made directly to said Corporation, or in trust, for any of the purposes comprehended in the general objects of said Society; and such trusts may continue for such time as may be necessary to accomplish the purposes for which they may be created.

SEC. 7. The said Corporation shall also possess the general powers specified in and by the Third Title of Chapter Eighteen of the First Part of the Revised Statutes of the State of New York.

SEC. 8. This Act shall take effect immediately.

# CONSTITUTION

OF THE

## Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church,

AS REVISED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF 1888.

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### ARTICLE I.

#### NAME AND OBJECTS OF THE SOCIETY.

THE name of this association shall be "THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH." Its objects are charitable and religious; designed to diffuse more generally the blessings of education and Christianity, and to promote and support missionary schools and Christian missions throughout the United States and Territories, and also in foreign countries, under such rules and regulations as the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church may from time to time prescribe.

### ARTICLE II.

#### MEMBERS, HONORARY MANAGERS, AND PATRONS.

The payment of twenty dollars at one time shall constitute a member for life. Any person paying one hundred and fifty dollars at one time into the treasury shall be an honorary manager for life; and the contribution of five hundred dollars shall constitute the donor an honorary patron for life: any such honorary manager or patron shall be entitled to a seat, and the right of speaking, but not of voting, in the Board of Managers.

### ARTICLE III.

#### BOARD OF MANAGERS.

The management and disposition of the affairs and property of the said Corporation shall be vested in a Board of Managers, consisting of the Bishops of said Church, who shall be *ex-officio* members of said Board, and thirty-two laymen, and thirty-two traveling ministers of the Methodist Episcopal Church, elected by the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, according to the requirements of the existing Charter of the Society: vacancies in the Board shall be filled as the

Charter provides; and the absence without excuse of any manager from six consecutive meetings of the Board shall be equivalent to a resignation. The Board shall also have authority to make By-laws not inconsistent with this Constitution or the Charter; to print books for Indian and Foreign Missions, and Missions in which a foreign language is used; to elect a President, Vice-Presidents, and a Recording Secretary; to fill vacancies that may occur among the officers elective by its own body; and shall present a statement of its transactions and funds to the Church in its Annual Report, and also shall lay before the General Conference a report of its transactions for the four preceding years, and the state of its funds.

#### ARTICLE IV.

##### CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES.

There shall be three Corresponding Secretaries appointed by the General Conference.

They shall be subject to the direction and control of the Board of Managers, by whom their salaries shall be fixed, and their salaries shall be paid out of the treasury. They shall be exclusively employed in conducting the correspondence of the Society, in furnishing the Church with missionary intelligence, and, under the direction of the Board, in supervising the missionary work of the Church, and by correspondence, traveling, and otherwise, in promoting the general interests of the Society.

Should the office of either of the Secretaries become vacant by death, resignation, or otherwise, the Board shall have power to provide for the duties of the office until the Bishops, or a majority of them, shall fill the vacancy.

#### ARTICLE V.

##### ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

At the regular meeting of the Board next succeeding the final adjournment of the General Conference, the officers to be elected by the Board shall be chosen and hold their office for the term of one year, or until their successors shall be elected; or, if a vacancy occur during the year by death, resignation, or otherwise, it may be filled at any regular meeting of the Board.

#### ARTICLE VI.

##### PRESIDING OFFICER.

At all meetings of the Board, the President, or, in his absence, one of the Vice-Presidents, and in the absence of the President and of all the Vice-Presidents, a member appointed by the meeting for that purpose, shall preside.

#### ARTICLE VII.

##### QUORUM.

Thirteen Managers at any meeting of the Board shall be a quorum.



## ARTICLE VIII.

## MINUTES.

The minutes of each meeting shall be signed by the Chairman of the meeting at which the same are read and approved.

## ARTICLE IX.

## AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

It is recommended that within the bounds of each Annual Conference there be established a Conference Missionary Society, auxiliary to this institution, under such regulations as the Conferences shall respectively prescribe.

## ARTICLE X.

## SPECIAL DONATIONS.

Auxiliary societies or donors may designate the Mission or Missions, under the care of this Society, to which they desire any part or the whole of their contributions to be appropriated; which special designation shall be publicly acknowledged by the Board. But in the event that more funds are raised for any particular Mission than are necessary for its support the surplus shall be at the disposal of the Board for the general purposes of the Society.

## ARTICLE XI.

## GENERAL MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

The General Conference shall divide the Annual Conferences into fourteen Mission Districts, from each of which there shall be one representative, to be appointed for the term of four years by the General Conference at each of its sessions, on the nomination of the delegates of the Annual Conferences within the Mission Districts respectively, and fourteen representatives, to be appointed annually by the Board of Managers from its own members, who, with the Corresponding and Recording Secretaries and the Treasurers of the Society and the Board of Bishops, shall constitute a committee, to be called the General Missionary Committee; *provided* that the Bishops shall fill any vacancy that may occur among the members appointed by the General Conference, so that each Mission District may be fully represented at each annual meeting.

The General Missionary Committee shall meet annually at such place in the United States as the Committee may, from year to year, determine, and at such time in the month of November as shall be determined by the Secretaries and Treasurers, of which due notice shall be given to each member; and the Bishops shall preside over the deliberations of the Committee; but the Annual Meeting of said Committee, which for the year 1888 shall be held in the city of New York, shall not be held in the same city more frequently than once in four years.

Said General Missionary Committee shall determine what fields shall

be occupied as Foreign Missions, the number of persons to be employed on said Missions, and the amount necessary for the support of each Mission; and it shall also determine the amount for which each Bishop may draw for the Domestic Missions of the Conferences over which he shall preside, and the Bishop shall not draw on the Treasurers for more than said amount. Nevertheless, in the intervals between the meetings of the General Missionary Committee, the Board of Managers may provide for any unforeseen emergency that may arise in any of our Missions, and to meet such demands may expend any additional amount not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars.

The General Missionary Committee shall be amenable to the General Conference, to which it shall make a full report of its doings.

Any expenses incurred in the discharge of its duties shall be paid from the treasury of the Society.

## ARTICLE XII.

### SUPPORT OF SUPERANNUATED AND OTHER MISSIONARIES.

The Board may provide for the support of superannuated missionaries, widows and orphans of missionaries, who may not be provided for by their Annual Conferences respectively, it being understood that they shall not receive more than is usually allowed to other superannuated ministers, their widows and orphans.

The amount allowed for the support of a missionary shall not exceed the usual allowance of other itinerant preachers; and in the case of Domestic Missions the Bishop or president of the Conference shall draw for the same in quarterly installments, and shall always promptly notify the Treasurer of all drafts made by him. The administration of appropriations to Foreign Missions shall be under the direction of the Board of Managers.

No one shall be acknowledged as a missionary, or receive support as such from the funds of the Society, who has not some definite field assigned to him in the service of the Society, or who could not be an effective laborer on a circuit, except as above provided.

## ARTICLE XIII.

### AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution shall be subject to alteration or amendment only by the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

# BY-LAWS

## OF THE

### BOARD OF MANAGERS

OF THE  
MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

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#### I.

##### *DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.*

###### PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENTS.

The duties of these officers are defined in the Constitution. The President, or one of the Vice-Presidents, shall preside at all meetings of the Society and of the Board, as prescribed by Article VI of the Constitution; and shall hold their respective offices during the year for which they may be elected, unless the Board of Managers otherwise determine. If the President and all the Vice-Presidents be absent then the Board may elect a President *pro tem*.

###### CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES.

The Corresponding Secretaries shall, under the direction of the Board of Managers, conduct the correspondence of the Society with its Missions, and be exclusively employed in promoting its general interests. They shall advocate the missionary cause at such Annual Conferences and Churches as their judgment may dictate and the Board approve. They shall keep a vigilant eye upon all the affairs of the Society, and especially upon all its Missions, and promptly convey to the Bishops having charge of the Missions respectively, to the Board, or the standing committees, all such communications from, and all information concerning, our Missions, as the circumstances of the case may require. They shall also in all cases give to such missionaries as may be sent out the Manual of Instructions authorized by the Board, with such other instructions and explanations as circumstances may call for, and shall explicitly inform all our missionaries that they are in no case to depart from such instructions. They shall also audit the accounts of outgoing, returned, or discharged foreign missionaries before the final settlement of the same, and all bills for office and

incidental expenses before they are presented to the Treasurer for payment. They shall also superintend all property interests of the Society, exclusive of its current receipts, permanent or special funds, and fixed property, subject to instructions from the Board of Managers.

#### TREASURER.

The Treasurer shall keep proper books of accounts, showing all the receipts and disbursements, and all other financial affairs connected with the treasury of the Society, except such as are committed to the care of the Corresponding Secretaries. He shall, under advice of the Finance Committee, keep all uninvested moneys of the Society on deposit in some safe bank, or banks, in the name of the Society, subject to the order of its Treasurer. He shall honor all orders of the Board on the treasury, and, within the several appropriations made by the General Committee and Board, shall pay all drafts of the Bishops, and furnish the Secretaries respectively with Letters of Credit or Bills of Exchange for the support of Foreign Missions; and he shall, on the warrant of the Corresponding Secretaries, pay the outfit of missionaries and the expenses of those authorized to return, and shall pay all bills for office and incidental expenses when properly audited. He shall be subject to the direction of the Finance Committee, and of the Board, in respect to all investments, loans, and other financial affairs of the Society. He shall report the state of the funds, and whenever required exhibit his books, vouchers, and securities at each regular meeting of the Finance Committee and of the Auditing Committee; and shall report monthly to the Board the state of the treasury. He shall keep an account of all receipts by Conferences, and of all expenditures by Missions and particular appropriations.

He shall keep the seal of the Society and affix the same to such documents, contracts, and conveyances as may be ordered by the Board of Managers; shall execute for the Society conveyances of real estate whenever ordered by the Board.

#### ASSISTANT TREASURER.

The Assistant Treasurer shall reside at Cincinnati, Ohio, and shall be subject to the directions of the Board of Managers and of the Treasurer.

He shall forward to the Treasurer, monthly, a statement of his accounts to the first of each month, in order that the same may be presented to the Board at its regular meetings. He shall exhibit his books and accounts, vouchers, and securities, to such auditors as may be appointed by the Board.

#### RECORDING SECRETARY.

The Recording Secretary shall notify all meetings of the Board and of the Society, and shall record the minutes of their proceedings. He shall also certify to the Treasurer, or to the Auditing Committee, as the case may require, all moneys granted, or expenditures authorized in pursuance of the action of the Board.



He shall, under the direction of the Corresponding Secretaries, make an appropriate record of all wills under which the Society may be interested, and of all action of the Board, and other information relating thereto.

He shall, under like direction, also record a statement of all the property of the Society, and of any conveyances thereof, or other proceedings touching the same.

He shall, under like direction, keep the roll of the officers and Managers, and of the members of the several standing committees, in the proper order according to the seniority of their consecutive service respectively, except that the chairman of each committee shall be first named, and shall see that such lists are printed in such order in the Annual Reports.

He shall also record the proceedings of the several standing committees in separate books, which shall be brought to each meeting of the Board; and shall notify, when requested, all meetings of committees; and he shall hold his office during the year for which he may be elected, unless the Board of Managers otherwise determine.

## II.

### *FINANCIAL REGULATIONS.*

Appropriations made by the General Missionary Committee for the payment of salaries of missionaries, where a schedule of salaries has been fixed by the Board of Managers for any Mission, or for the authorized current expenses of an established Mission, or by the Board for the expenses of outgoing or returning missionaries, and all specific appropriations of the Board or of the General Committee, except for the purchase or improvement of real estate, shall be paid by the Treasurer, upon the requisition of one of the Corresponding Secretaries, without further action by the Board. Except when otherwise ordered by the Board payments made in foreign countries are to be by letters of credit or bills of exchange to the order of the Superintendent or Treasurer of the Mission; and payments made in this country on account of Foreign Missions may be made by draft of one of the Corresponding Secretaries upon the Treasurer, payable to the order of the person entitled to receive the same, and the Treasurer shall not be authorized to pay any other.

But where the appropriation is general, and for a Mission not yet occupied, and where the Bishop in charge shall have appointed a missionary, the Board has power to determine what portion of such appropriation shall be applied to particular objects, and what amount may be placed at the discretion of the Superintendent or other persons for general purposes; and when the Board has so determined the Corresponding Secretaries may make requisition for the payment of such sums in manner and form as above stated.

Office and incidental expenses shall be audited by the Corresponding Secretaries and paid to their order on the face of the original bills.

No missionary or other person, other than the Corresponding Secretaries, shall be allowed to make drafts on the Treasurer for Foreign Missions, except on letters of credit duly issued.

Real estate may be purchased for the Society, and improvements made on real estate, by the erection of buildings or otherwise, only by direct order of the Board, and by persons specially authorized and appointed to make such purchase or improvement.

And where the General Committee make a special appropriation for the purchase or improvement of real estate in any Mission, as the administration of appropriations and the management of the property of the Society is with the Board of Managers, the Board shall determine the time and manner of payment, and designate the person by whom such appropriation shall be expended, before the Corresponding Secretaries are authorized to make requisition therefor.

Appropriations and balances of appropriations unexpended at the close of the fiscal year, of any Mission, whether in the hands of the Treasurer of the Society, or any of its agents, shall lapse to the Treasurer of the Society, and may not be thereafter used for the purposes for which they were appropriated, except to discharge pre-existing obligations.

### III.

#### *STANDING COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES.*

At the regular meeting of the Board in June of each year the following Standing Committees shall be appointed :

##### I. ON MISSIONS IN AFRICA.

It shall be the duty of this Committee to consider and report on all matters relating to Missions in Africa which may be referred to it by the Board or the Corresponding Secretaries.

##### II. ON MISSIONS IN SOUTH AMERICA AND MEXICO.

It shall be the duty of this Committee to consider and report on all matters relating to Missions in South America and Mexico which may be referred to it by the Board or Corresponding Secretaries.

##### III. ON MISSIONS IN CHINA.

It shall be the duty of this Committee to consider and report on all matters relating to Missions in China which may be referred to it by the Board or Corresponding Secretaries.

##### IV. ON MISSIONS IN JAPAN AND KOREA.

It shall be the duty of this Committee to consider and report on all matters relating to Missions in Japan and Korea which may be referred to it by the Board or the Corresponding Secretaries.

## V. ON SELF-SUPPORTING MISSIONS.

It shall be the duty of this Committee to consider and report on all matters relating to self-supporting Missions which may be referred to it by the Board or the Corresponding Secretaries.

## VI. ON MISSIONS IN EUROPE.

It shall be the duty of this Committee to consider and report on all matters relating to Missions in Europe which may be referred to it by the Board or the Corresponding Secretaries.

## VII. ON MISSIONS IN INDIA.

It shall be the duty of this Committee to consider and report on all matters relating to Missions in India and Malaysia referred to it by the Board or the Corresponding Secretaries.

## VIII. ON DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

It shall be the duty of this Committee to consider and report on all matters relating to American Domestic Missions, Indian Missions, and Missions among Foreign Populations in the United States, which may be referred to it by the Board or the Corresponding Secretaries.

## IX. ON FINANCE.

It shall be the duty of this Committee to aid the Treasurer in providing ways and means. Said Committee shall have power to advise the Treasurer as to the deposit of all uninvested moneys of the Society, and, in the intervals between the sessions of the Board, to direct him in respect to all investments, loans, and other financial affairs of the Society. It shall also have the management, care, and supervision of the interests of the Missionary Society in the building known as the Methodist Publishing and Mission Building, subject to the order of the Board; also to consider and report on such financial matters as may be referred to it by the Board, Treasurer, or the Corresponding Secretaries.

## X. ON LANDS AND LEGACIES.

It shall be the duty of this Committee to consider and report on all bequests made to the Society, and questions arising under wills, or concerning lands temporarily held by the Society, referred to it by the Board, the Corresponding Secretaries, or Treasurer.

## XI. ON PUBLICATIONS.

It shall be the duty of this Committee to publish as instructed by the Board, and consider matters respecting publications referred to it by the Board or Corresponding Secretaries.

## XII. ON WOMAN'S MISSION WORK.

It shall be the duty of this Committee to consider and report on all matters relating to the work of women in the mission field, and to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, referred to it by the Board or the Corresponding Secretaries.

## XIII. ON ESTIMATES.

It shall be the duty of this Committee to make an estimate of the salary to be paid to any person engaged, not in the Missions, but in the immediate service of this Board; and also estimates for such incidental expenditures as may have no special relation to any particular Mission, and which may be referred to it by the Board, Treasurer, or a Secretary.

## XIV. ON NOMINATIONS AND GENERAL REFERENCE.

This Committee shall consist of the chairmen of the several standing committees, and its duty shall be to nominate members of the standing committees, and suitable persons to fill all vacancies that may occur in the Board of Managers, or in the list of officers, during the year. The vote of the Board on such nominations shall be by ballot. This Committee shall be the Committee on Anniversaries and Public Meetings and for the examination of candidates for mission fields; it shall also consider and report upon all matters which may, from time to time, be referred to it by the Board.

## XV. ON APPORTIONMENTS.

This Committee shall consist of five members appointed by the Board, the Corresponding Secretaries, and the Treasurer. Its duties shall be to make apportionments of the moneys to be raised under the appropriations of the General Committee to the Conferences, Districts, and Charges, in accordance with such rules as may be adopted by the Board.

## XVI. ON AUDITS.

There shall be two Committees on Audits—one in New York, and the other in Cincinnati. The former shall audit the accounts of the Treasurer, and the latter the accounts of the Assistant Treasurer annually, or oftener if they deem it necessary, or if ordered by the Board; and such other accounts as may be referred to it by the Board.

## GENERAL RULES.

1. The standing committees shall, at their first meeting after election, elect their own permanent chairman, and if he be absent at any meeting, they shall choose a chairman *pro tem*. Each committee shall cause to be recorded correct minutes of all the business brought before it, and the disposition of the same, in a book kept for that purpose, which shall be brought to the regular meetings of the Board; and said committee may hold a regular meeting once in each month, or meet at the call of its chairman, a Corresponding Secretary, or Treasurer.

2. Each committee having charge of a particular Mission shall make out estimates for the Mission under its charge, to be laid before the General Missionary Committee at its annual meeting, to guide it in making the appropriations for the ensuing year.

3. The Treasurer shall be *ex officio* a member, and the Corresponding Secretaries advisory members without a vote, of each of the standing



committees, except the Committees on Estimates and on Audits ; and the Bishop having charge of a Foreign Mission shall be an *ex officio* member of the respective committees having charge of the same.

4. When any matter is referred to a committee *with power* it shall be the duty of the committee to report its final action in the case to the Board for record in the minutes of its proceedings.

## IV.

### MEETINGS OF THE BOARD, ORDER OF BUSINESS, AND RULES OF DEBATE.

#### I. MEETINGS OF THE BOARD.

1. The Board shall hold its regular meetings on the third Tuesday of each month, at 3:30 o'clock P. M., at the Mission Rooms of the Society.

2. The presiding officer shall preserve order, keep the speaker to the point under consideration, and appoint committees not otherwise provided for. He shall not take part in debate, nor propose any new measure, unless he first leave the chair ; but he may vote as any other member.

3. All meetings of the Board shall open with reading the Scriptures and prayer, and close with prayer or the benediction, under the direction of the chairman.

4. A Corresponding Secretary, or the Treasurer, or any five Managers, may call a special meeting of the Board.

#### II. ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Reading the Scriptures and prayer.

2. The minutes of the previous meeting shall be read, and, when approved, signed by the presiding officer.

3. The Treasurer's monthly statement and that of the Assistant Treasurer.

4. Report of the Corresponding Secretaries.

5. Reports from the standing committees, in the following order: Africa ; South America and Mexico ; China ; Japan and Korea ; Self-Supporting Missions ; Europe ; India ; Domestic ; Finance ; Lands and Legacies ; Publications ; Woman's Mission Work ; Estimates ; Nominations and General Reference ; Apportionments ; Audits. The reports of each committee to be made by simply reading the minutes of its proceedings, upon which the Board shall take such action as the case may require. When any one of the standing committees may be called in the regular proceedings of the Board it shall be in order to present any miscellaneous business pertaining to the particular matters of which that committee has charge, as well as to receive and consider any reports from the committee.

6. Reports of special committees.

7. Unfinished business.

8. Miscellaneous business.

The Board shall appoint in the month of October in each year the members of the General Missionary Committee to which it is entitled, according to the provision of Art. XI of the Constitution of the Missionary Society.

### III. RULES FOR THE TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS.

1. A motion having been made, seconded, and stated from the Chair shall be considered in possession of the Board, but may be withdrawn by the mover before any action is taken on it. Every motion shall be reduced to writing if the presiding officer, or any other member, require it; and, when the question contains several distinct propositions, any member may have the same divided.

2. A motion to amend shall be considered first in order, and shall be decided before the original motion; and a substitute for any pending motion or amendment may be offered, and shall, if it prevail, supersede the original motion or proposed amendment, and may itself be amended.

3. Every member wishing to speak shall rise and address the Chair, and no one shall speak more than once on one question, until every member desiring to speak shall have spoken; and no member shall speak over fifteen minutes without the permission of the Board.

4. Motions to lay on the table and motions that the previous question be put shall be taken without debate.

5. When a report is presented by a committee it shall be considered in possession of the Board, and may be adopted, amended, recommitted, laid on the table, or otherwise disposed of, as the Board may judge proper.

6. It shall always be deemed out of order to use personal reflections in debate, or to interrupt a speaker, except to explain or call him to order.

7. It shall be deemed out of order for any member to leave the meeting without the permission of the Chair or the Board.

8. A motion to adjourn shall always be considered in order, and shall be taken without debate.

9. A call of the ayes and noes shall be ordered on the demand of any five members present.

10. Any decision of the presiding officer shall be subject to an appeal to the Board, and such appeal shall be decided without debate; but the presiding officer may assign his reasons for his decision.

11. When a question has been once put and decided it shall be in order for any member who voted in the majority to move for the reconsideration thereof; but no motion for reconsideration shall be taken more than once.

## V.

### *REPORTS FROM MISSIONS.*

Each missionary shall report to his Superintendent once a quarter, in writing, the state and prospects of the special work in which he is engaged.

Each Superintendent of Missions, and where there is no Superintendent each missionary, shall make a regular quarterly report to the Corresponding Secretaries at New York, giving information of the state and prospects of the several missions under his care.

## VI.

### *PUBLICATION AND AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS.*

1. The Charter, the Constitution of the Society, and the By-laws shall be published with each Annual Report.
2. The Board of Managers shall not make, alter, or amend any By-law, except at the regular monthly meeting thereof, nor at the same meeting at which such By-law, alteration, or amendment may be proposed.

# DIRECTORY OF MISSIONARIES \*

## Sent to Foreign Lands.

DATE OF APPT.	MISSIONARY.	POST-OFFICE ADDRESS.	FROM WHAT CONFERENCE.
1874	Adams, H. J.....	Panahpur, India.....	India.
1887	Alling, Miss H. S.....	Tokyo, Japan.....	.....
1884	Appenzeller, H. G.....	Seoul, Korea.....	Philadelphia.
1881	Baker, A. H.....	Bangalore, India.....	South India.
1891	Balderston, B. H.....	Penang, Straits Settlements...	Bengal.
1886	Banbury, J. J.....	Kiukiang, China.....	N. Nebraska.
1879	Bare, C. L.....	Indianola, Ia.....	Des Moines.
1883	Baume, James.....	Bombay, India.....	Rock River.
1884	Beebe, R. C., M.D.....	Richmond Centre, O.....	North Ohio.
1889	Belknap, J. F.....	Tokyo, Japan.....	Japan.
1879	Bishop, Charles.....	Tokyo, Japan.....	North Indiana.
1875	Blackstock, John....	Shahjahanpur, India.....	N.W. Indiana.
1883	Blewitt, F. J.....	Delhi, India.....	South India.
1891	Borton, Frank W.....	Mexico City.....	New England.
1882	Bowen, William R.....	Bareilly, India.....	North India.
1888	Brewster, W. N.....	Foochow, China.....	Cincinnati.
1887	Brown, F.....	Tientsin, China.....	Ohio.
1880	Bruere, W. W.....	Bombay, India.....	South India.
1870	Buck, P. M.....	Mussoorie, India.....	Kansas.
1886	Burt, William.....	57 Via Cavour, Rome, Italy...	N. Y. East.
1886	Busby, E. S.....	Meerut, India.....	South India.
1885	Butcher, J. C., M.D.....	Moradabad, India.....	Rock River.
1874	Butler, J. W.....	City of Mexico, P.-O. Box 291..	New England.
1888	Buttrick, J. B.....	Bangalore, India.....	South India.
1886	Byers, William P.....	Asansole, India.....	Bengal.
1886	Cady, H. Olin.....	Chentu, China.....	Wisconsin.
1891	Canright, H. L., M.D....	Chungking, China.....	(Layman.)
1869	Carlson, B. A.....	Stockholm, Sweden.....	Erie.
1891	Cartwright, I. C.....	Pachuca, Mexico.....	Rock River.
1875	Challis, D. C.....	Sistof, Bulgaria.....	Detroit.
1890	Chappell, Benjamin.....	Tokyo, Japan.....	Japan.
1883	Clancy, Rockwell.....	Allahabad, India.....	Michigan.
1889	Clark, N. W.....	Madison, N. J.....	Newark.
1884	Clarke, W. E. L.....	Secunderabad, India.....	South India.
1887	Cleveland, J. G.....	Tokyo, Japan.....	Mississippi.
1891	Collier, Miss Clara J.....	Nanking, China.....	.....
1887	Conklin, Chas. G.....	Calcutta, India.....	Bengal.
1884	Constantine, T.....	Rustchuk, Bulgaria.....	Minnesota.
1889	Corpe, L. A.....	Moradabad, India.....	South India.
1873	Correll, I. H.....	Nagasaki, Japan.....	Philadelphia.
1889	Count, E. E.....	Florence, Italy.....	New York.
1870	Craven, T.....	Naini Tal, India.....	Rock River.
1875	Craver, S. P.....	Puebla, Mexico.....	Iowa.
1874	Curties, W. F. G.....	Blacktown, Madras, India...	South India.
1887	Curtiss, W. H., M.D.....	Peking, China.....	(Layman.)
1870	Davis, G. R.....	Delaware, O.....	Detroit.
1891	Davis, George S.....	Sistof, Bulgaria.....	Nebraska.
1889	Davis, Miss Hattie E....	Peking, China.....	.....
1873	Davison, J. C.....	Hackettstown, N. J.....	Newark.
1880	Dease, Stephen S., M.D..	Bareilly, India.....	Pittsburg.
1886	Delamater, C. E.....	72 Mt. Vernon St., Boston...	Upper Iowa.
1890	Denning, J. O.....	Poona, India.....	Illinois.

\* For the purposes of this directory, the names of some persons are here given who are not strictly, in relation to our work, Foreign Missionaries.



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1881	De Souza, C. W.....	Roorkee, India.....	South India.
1880	Draper, G. F.....	Yokohama, Japan.....	Central N. Y.
1874	Drees, C. W.....	Buenos Ayres, Argentine Rep.	N.E.Southern.
1876	Economoff, J. I.....	Selvi, Bulgaria.....	Newark.
1890	Elsam, C. G.....	Kampti, India.....	South India.
1882	Ernsberger, D. O.....	Gulbarga, India.....	South India.
1890	Farnon, E. T.....	Lahore, India.....	North India.
1887	Ferguson, John C.....	Nanking, China.....	New England.
1890	Floyd, J. C.....	Albion, Mich.....	Michigan.
1883	Foote, F. W.....	Naini Tal, India.....	North India.
1872	Fox, D. O.....	Poona, India.....	North Ohio.
1887	Frease, Edwin F.....	Baroda, India.....	East Ohio.
1890	Frey, George H.....	Bareilly, India.....	North India.
1887	Fulkerson, E. R.....	Nagasaki, Japan.....	Nebraska.
1881	Gamewell, F. D.....	Peking, China.....	Newark.
1884	Garden, J. H.....	Gangawarun, India.....	Kentucky.
1874	Gilder, G. K.....	Hyderabad, Deccan, India....	South India.
1871	Gill, J. H.....	Paori, India.....	Rock River.
1882	Gilruth, A.....	Haverhill, Ohio.....	South India.
1890	Grishom, H.....	Rangoon, Burmah.....	Bengal.
1887	Green, Wm.....	Puebla, Mexico.....	New York.
1880	Greenman, A. W.....	Montevideo, Uruguay.....	North Indiana.
1888	Gregory, J. J., M.D.....	Foochow, China.....	(Layman.)
1891	Hall, W. J., M.D.....	Seoul, Korea.....	New York.
1891	Hanzlik, Miss L. C.....	Nanking, China.....	.....
1874	Hard, C. P.....	Narsinghpur, India.....	Genesee.
1890	Headland, I. T.....	Peking, China.....	Pittsburg.
1891	Hewes, G. C.....	Lucknow, India.....	.....
1882	Hobart, W. T.....	Peking, China.....	Minnesota.
1887	Hollister, W. H.....	Bangalore, India.....	Wisconsin.
1887	Hopkins, G. F.....	Jabalpur, India.....	Wilmington.
1886	Hopkins, N. S., M.D.....	Tientsin, China.....	(Layman.)
1867	Hoskins, R.....	Cawnpore, India.....	Troy.
1886	Howard, G. P.....	Montevideo, Uruguay.....	New Jersey.
1873	Hykes, J. R.....	Kiukiang, China.....	Central Penn.
1860	Jackson, Henry.....	Masafarpur, India.....	New York.
1882	Jackson, James.....	Kiukiang, China.....	New York.
1889	Jellison, E. R., M.D.....	Nanking, China.....	(Layman.)
1887	Johnson, H. B.....	Nagasaki, Japan.....	Wyoming.
1862	Johnson, T. S., M.D.....	Jabalpur, India.....	North Indiana.
1888	Jones, G. H.....	Seoul, Korea.....	North'n N. Y.
1890	Jones, T. R., M.D.....	Peking, China.....	(Layman.)
1883	Jordan, James.....	Aonla, India.....	North India.
1890	Kensett, W.....	Madison, N. J.....	Bengal.
1888	King, W. L.....	Vepery, Madras, India.....	Minnesota.
1858	Knowles, S.....	Gonda, India.....	North India.
1881	Kupfer, C. F.....	Chinkiang, China.....	Cent. German.
1887	Lacy, W. H.....	Foochow, China.....	Wisconsin.
1855	Larsson, J. P.....	Motala, Sweden.....	Cent. Illinois.
1880	Lawson, J. C.....	Baraboo, Wis.....	W. Wisconsin.
1883	Leonard, A. T.....	Lahore, India.....	South India.
1881	Lewis, S.....	Chungking, China.....	Michigan.
1888	Limric, H. G.....	Puebla, Mexico.....	East Ohio.
1886	Little, E. S.....	Kiukiang, China.....	S. California.
1857	Long, A. L.....	Constantinople, Turkey.....	Pittsburg.
1883	Long, S. P.....	Union City, Pa.....	Michigan.
1884	Longden, W. C.....	Chinkiang, China.....	Wisconsin.
1875	Lounsbury, E. F.....	Loftcha, Bulgaria.....	N. Y. East.

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1867	Lowry, H. H.....	Peking, China.....	Ohio.
1889	Lürling, H. E.....	Singapore, Straits Settlements.	Germany.
1879	Lyon, J.....	Ajmere, India.....	Delaware.
1888	Madsen, Neils.....	Pakour, India.....	Bengal.
1862	Mansell, Henry.....	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.....	Pittsburg.
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CONFERENCES.	Amount for 1882.	Average per member.	Amount for 1883.	Average per member.	Amount for 1884.	Average per member.	Amount for 1885.	Average per member.	Amount for 1886.	Average per member.	Amount for 1887.	Average per member.	Amount for 1888.	Average per member.	Amount for 1889.	Average per member.	Amount for 1890.	Average per member.	Amount for 1891.	Average per member.	Amount Contributed in ten years.	Average per member.
Alabama.....	\$114	\$0 02	\$176	\$0 03	\$124	\$0 02	\$213	\$0 04	\$231	\$0 04	\$491	\$0 08	\$320	\$0 05	\$332	\$0 05	\$442	\$0 07	\$508	\$0 07	\$2,983	\$0 05
Arkansas.....	306	06	199	06	337	07	278	06	300	07	659	13	831	17	940	15	1,114	21	972	20	3,996	12
Austin.....	476	52	536	51	483	48	860	77	1,047	93	1,047	1 04	901	88	1,069	90	1,069	90	1,040	78	8,635	77
Baltimore.....	25,129	77	25,279	77	27,098	83	27,182	81	35,341	1 03	38,541	1 11	38,102	1 07	39,382	1 06	40,260	1 04	42,696	1 11	419,630	96
Blue Ridge.....	68	01	118	03	184	04	212	04	253	05	239	06	274	07	330	08	464	08	390	06	419,630	96
California.....	3,628	41	3,870	44	3,871	42	5,104	54	6,140	63	7,806	77	8,819	79	10,941	93	10,225	82	10,992	85	71,196	64
Central Alabama.....	75	01	75	01	97	02	97	02	110	02	281	06	274	07	330	08	425	08	387	03	71,196	64
Central German.....	7,990	66	8,170	66	7,443	58	6,940	53	7,234	56	7,809	57	7,886	60	8,475	63	8,398	61	8,539	61	78,818	61
Central Illinois.....	11,859	43	11,712	55	10,966	51	13,179	59	12,049	51	16,466	66	16,274	63	17,433	65	18,114	66	20,672	71	148,214	59
Central Missouri.....	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	215	05	309	05	323	05	423	07	488	07	1,758	05
Central New York.....	14,270	44	13,563	47	12,997	43	14,344	48	15,492	51	18,247	58	18,041	57	18,423	57	18,628	57	20,324	61	164,669	51
Central Ohio.....	13,378	52	13,387	51	12,059	49	11,948	41	13,417	44	17,269	52	17,236	50	19,801	54	19,458	53	21,398	55	159,871	43
Central Pennsylvania.....	22,875	64	25,803	70	27,795	75	25,621	67	33,715	84	34,633	83	36,221	83	38,880	88	39,018	86	39,347	85	323,908	80
Central Tennessee.....	387	06	323	07	365	08	334	07	346	07	408	08	446	09	605	12	605	12	542	10	4,361	09
Chicago German.....	4,691	82	4,400	76	4,192	69	3,975	64	3,636	57	3,823	58	4,073	62	4,325	66	4,423	68	4,796	66	42,435	66
Cincinnati.....	17,920	46	18,773	52	18,711	50	20,261	52	21,856	54	27,372	60	25,565	59	27,701	67	25,477	58	25,178	60	238,816	58
Colorado.....	2,513	34	2,363	30	2,175	27	2,376	36	3,637	51	4,448	60	4,780	62	4,780	62	4,780	62	4,780	62	42,435	66
Columbia River.....	941	30	1,028	38	583	22	834	36	996	35	1,448	49	1,269	40	1,824	44	2,457	61	2,457	61	38,343	70
Dakota.....	*139	10	*338	14	*527	14	1,370	29	1,939	34	2,259	33	2,061	30	3,111	36	2,714	38	3,498	43	18,977	32
Delaware.....	1,011	07	1,127	08	1,195	09	1,646	11	1,930	13	2,078	14	2,061	18	2,356	16	2,662	18	2,662	18	19,881	13
Des Moines.....	8,639	39	8,464	35	7,385	30	7,385	30	11,037	38	19,148	67	18,800	64	20,410	65	16,068	48	26,901	72	149,684	55
Detroit.....	9,905	39	10,036	38	9,213	34	10,797	38	10,792	36	13,777	44	14,372	44	15,574	44	17,104	47	17,553	47	130,732	41
East German.....	2,656	24	2,420	28	1,939	16	3,127	31	5,764	41	6,781	46	7,104	46	7,104	46	7,104	46	7,104	46	61,402	53
East Maine.....	180	06	180	06	180	06	180	06	180	06	207	07	207	07	207	07	207	07	207	07	2,157	07
East Ohio.....	17,241	39	16,949	38	17,176	37	18,310	38	19,780	39	22,013	43	22,119	42	25,785	48	25,785	48	25,785	48	213,255	41
East Tennessee.....	8,834	31	8,986	31	8,130	29	10,063	33	10,458	34	13,843	43	13,933	42	16,038	45	17,012	49	18,942	53	126,724	39
Florida.....	463	18	638	24	496	21	553	19	790	25	387	13	539	17	538	16	631	18	657	18	5,692	19
Genesee.....	11,498	47	11,574	43	10,988	43	11,208	43	13,096	49	17,792	63	18,489	62	21,135	69	21,450	68	24,083	74	161,713	56
Georgia.....	706	10	571	08	169	06	159	05	200	07	162	05	208	06	255	08	255	08	255	08	2,157	07
Holston.....	17,041	47	15,618	42	18,511	42	17,077	43	22,890	54	28,495	64	25,063	54	26,744	55	27,150	55	28,324	58	226,728	51
Illinois.....	7,003	23	6,901	23	6,319	21	6,331	21	7,642	23	7,517	23	7,623	19	8,700	24	9,669	26	11,074	28	77,745	23
Iowa.....	6,696	36	6,719	37	6,737	36	7,287	39	8,522	44	10,883	53	9,145	46	9,607	45	12,510	54	13,211	54	91,152	44
Kansas.....	2,497	14	2,572	14	2,874	21	2,874	21	4,711	32	5,418	33	6,299	37	6,940	38	6,373	33	6,274	32	45,896	28
Kentucky.....	2,061	11	2,142	14	2,095	12	2,179	12	2,557	16	2,889	16	2,943	15	3,277	15	3,405	17	3,131	16	26,699	15
Lexington.....	2,198	24	2,143	06	357	05	396	05	455	06	434	06	533	06	572	06	719	08	896	08	6,818	08
Little Rock.....	94	06	138	06	117	05	87	04	169	07	242	08	282	08	276	09	266	07	334	09	1,985	07
Louisiana.....	581	06	663	07	621	06	409	04	710	07	532	03	751	07	1,015	09	1,033	09	1,190	09	7,535	07
Maine.....	2,193	21	2,605	24	3,248	32	2,873	26	3,627	33	3,684	33	4,715	38	4,579	41	4,680	42	4,680	42	36,936	33
Michigan.....	9,062	31	9,397	33	10,944	36	10,110	33	10,406	35	12,201	35	12,237	34	13,769	37	13,936	34	13,936	34	117,765	35
Minnesota.....	5,278	38	5,236	36	4,778	35	7,056	46	14,907	94	12,779	75	11,626	65	12,603	64	12,603	64	12,603	64	99,893	58
Mississippi.....	269	01	241	01	253	01	250	01	457	02	523	02	791	03	1,103	04	817	04	476	04	5,156	02



Missouri.....	2,191	2,134	2,437	15	2,248	14	3,245	18	2,995	17	3,590	21	3,030	23	4,609	25	5,184	25	32,668	18	
Montana.....	*172	35	*339	53	*432	52	*635	64	1,340	93	1,015	93	1,435	99	1,643	99	1,651	85	25	8,994	25
Nebraska.....	1,506	1,698	19	2,198	21	3,222	29	3,228	28	4,856	35	4,137	29	4,350	27	4,081	27	4,081	27	33,540	73
Nevada.....	880	54	274	42	*906	43	*500	72	*387	52	*589	92	*650	89	*589	92	*376	95	5,411	73	
Newark.....	18,189	52	22,382	65	24,244	70	30,701	88	33,171	98	35,397	98	35,670	97	35,705	78	24,104	77	292,619	73	
New England.....	16,382	55	16,026	52	15,921	52	20,446	68	23,255	71	25,318	69	25,705	68	24,507	64	13,007	59	212,650	64	
New England Southern.....	8,584	42	9,288	43	8,797	41	10,502	48	11,558	58	12,617	58	12,617	58	7,992	56	8,984	59	110,511	59	
New Hampshire.....	9,067	33	8,420	30	4,674	37	6,042	47	7,491	58	7,617	58	7,617	58	7,902	56	8,984	59	33,376	67	
New Jersey.....	18,614	54	20,572	59	21,643	61	22,074	64	26,581	72	27,311	71	29,363	72	30,076	72	31,435	73	288,289	67	
New York.....	32,335	75	31,377	71	36,073	82	34,069	79	42,009	93	41,673	91	43,276	93	43,400	91	46,017	93	387,472	87	
New York East.....	32,173	75	31,441	72	34,366	69	32,783	85	44,062	93	44,682	91	43,245	87	47,470	92	49,620	94	400,058	84	
North Carolina.....	114	02	176	03	86	01	231	03	315	04	482	05	414	05	562	06	568	06	3,118	83	
North Dakota.....	*1,236	29	*458	60	1,417	60	2,182	60	2,182	60	2,243	76	2,326	76	2,326	76	3,574	85	16,382	72	
Northern New York.....	8,002	38	8,002	38	9,394	41	11,142	48	12,363	57	13,689	57	13,850	57	13,469	55	13,159	55	116,064	49	
North German.....	433	19	517	20	6,585	22	8,631	27	2,354	39	2,081	40	2,192	39	2,192	39	2,906	66	11,946	66	
North Indiana.....	8,110	28	7,749	28	6,585	22	8,631	27	2,354	39	2,081	40	2,192	39	2,192	39	2,906	66	11,946	66	
North Nebraska.....	433	19	517	20	6,585	22	8,631	27	2,354	39	2,081	40	2,192	39	2,192	39	2,906	66	11,946	66	
North Ohio.....	8,230	38	8,230	38	9,527	38	9,527	38	2,370	39	2,384	35	2,492	37	3,044	38	3,365	33	99,964	39	
North-west German.....	4,059	71	3,762	63	4,218	67	5,925	65	11,942	44	10,620	38	13,114	45	12,696	45	12,423	45	17,919	32	
North-west Indiana.....	5,887	25	5,637	23	5,925	24	7,370	29	2,612	77	2,474	70	2,392	68	2,256	64	2,809	73	104,762	38	
North-west Iowa.....	1,301	22	1,914	26	2,854	35	3,081	41	9,100	33	9,304	33	10,377	32	11,288	39	14,005	44	34,911	40	
North-west Kansas.....	531	09	976	17	1,088	17	1,088	17	4,624	49	4,624	47	6,074	52	7,157	51	8,840	58	44,960	40	
North-west Sweden.....	2,574	51	2,909	52	3,764	63	4,105	65	2,171	24	2,073	20	1,870	19	2,283	19	1,638	15	14,472	18	
Norwegian and Danish.....	1,880	77	1,738	71	1,874	67	1,996	67	2,413	77	2,354	72	2,859	76	3,011	77	3,207	81	42,375	74	
Ohio.....	16,784	38	17,169	38	15,262	34	16,419	35	18,945	38	21,924	39	21,924	39	21,924	39	21,924	39	282,812	38	
Oregon.....	960	21	1,585	26	1,174	30	1,174	30	2,574	50	2,535	46	3,087	52	4,279	60	4,900	61	95,086	42	
Philadelphia.....	44,837	1	49,641	1	51,993	13	51,813	18	62,122	34	63,348	38	60,033	42	60,033	42	55,555	56	350,359	47	
Pittsburg.....	12,630	39	13,513	41	11,761	37	13,501	39	16,050	44	16,426	52	16,939	52	24,760	53	24,068	54	174,757	47	
Puget Sound.....	19,665	80	20,207	83	19,632	75	23,760	88	25,149	92	26,416	86	26,006	82	29,207	85	30,919	78	251,584	83	
Rock River.....	3,777	24	3,592	23	4,886	30	4,272	25	6,986	39	7,204	45	9,000	54	8,836	46	9,400	46	2,244	55	
Saint John's River.....	5,835	64	5,364	63	4,923	56	4,805	54	4,737	59	5,003	59	6,337	65	5,771	57	6,541	64	72,598	38	
Saint Louis.....	459	04	434	04	434	04	434	04	434	04	434	04	434	04	434	04	434	04	2,244	55	
Savannah.....	5,097	20	5,413	21	8,712	14	4,899	05	7,782	20	7,054	23	7,810	23	8,006	20	1,090	07	14,555	71	
Southern California.....	2,005	55	1,349	49	1,349	49	1,349	49	1,349	49	1,349	49	1,349	49	1,349	49	1,349	49	54,870	59	
Southern German.....	7,251	29	7,156	29	7,648	30	8,041	31	7,887	28	8,641	32	8,641	32	7,891	22	8,508	25	62,815	21	
Southern Illinois.....	2,323	07	2,323	07	2,323	07	2,323	07	2,323	07	2,323	07	2,323	07	2,323	07	2,323	07	69,362	30	
South Carolina.....	2,039	10	1,723	14	2,398	11	2,273	17	3,382	22	3,624	22	4,017	23	4,330	20	4,174	25	79,362	31	
South Kansas.....	1,445	21	1,641	21	1,641	21	1,641	21	1,641	21	1,641	21	1,641	21	1,641	21	1,641	21	39,896	22	
South-west Kansas.....	544	08	568	08	405	05	478	07	427	06	551	07	478	05	659	08	3,444	25	35,896	22	
Tennessee.....	422	42	548	42	528	42	627	42	627	42	1,152	11	1,097	12	1,097	12	1,097	12	20,694	25	
Texas.....	12,485	43	13,107	42	13,248	43	14,123	40	10,709	55	21,370	58	20,696	54	19,805	51	1,447	08	5,668	06	
Troy.....	8,479	43	9,500	50	9,107	47	13,062	66	13,391	63	14,524	65	14,162	61	15,833	64	1,447	08	9,373	09	
Upper Iowa.....	5,809	38	5,275	34	5,542	35	5,553	31	4,885	43	5,173	43	5,173	43	5,173	43	1,447	08	1,447	08	
Vermont.....	649	10	836	14	809	13	739	12	722	11	838	12	994	13	927	13	1,447	08	1,447	08	
Virginia.....	2,186	08	2,381	11	2,443	08	2,200	08	2,172	07	2,352	07	2,424	08	2,352	07	1,447	08	1,447	08	
Washington.....	*2,929	85	3,065	83	2,856	74	3,159	74	3,037	66	3,423	71	3,423	71	3,423	71	1,447	08	1,447	08	
West German.....	544	08	568	08	405	05	478	07	427	06	551	07	478	05	659	08	1,447	08	1,447	08	
West Texas.....	3,314	11	3,504	10	3,537	10	3,537	10	3,537	10	3,537	10	3,537	10	3,537	10	1,447	08	1,447	08	
West Virginia.....	8,291	29	8,383	33	2,950	27	2,356	30	2,579	30	4,322	36	3,437	28	5,465	41	1,447	08	1,447	08	
West Wisconsin.....	12,855	43	13,083	51	16,116	60	15,248	57	17,137	62	20,276	73	22,152	79	23,775	82	1,447	08	1,447	08	
Winifredton.....	5,327	43	5,508	44	5,669	44	5,608	44	5,789	51	7,946	54	7,065	49	7,926	54	1,447	08	1,447	08	
Wisconsin.....	11,486	44	12,538	46	13,366	49	13,617	49	15,859	55	17,940	59	20,191	63	22,212	67	1,447	08	1,447	08	
Wyoming.....	1,486	44	1,486	44	1,486	44	1,486	44	1,486	44	1,486	44	1,486	44	1,486	44	1,486	44	1,486	44	

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# APPROPRIATIONS TO MISSIONS AND CONFERENCES FOR THE YEARS 1883-1892.

MISSIONS.		1883.	1884.	1885.	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.	1891.	1892.	Total.
Africa.		\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$7,000	\$11,000	\$18,000	\$4,800	\$7,300	\$5,000	\$5,400	\$88,500
South America.		26,775	26,775	26,775	13,000	43,000	58,500	52,960	50,960	50,750	60,545	424,846
Ohio: Fochow.		13,080	13,080	13,080	10,750	10,750	20,483	19,414	21,888	19,414	25,600	201,409
Central China.		28,130	28,130	28,130	20,668	37,382	43,895	37,382	37,732	38,232	41,200	337,915
North China.		22,167	22,167	20,292	26,971	37,323	43,362	37,323	37,323	38,332	48,472	351,239
West China.		10,000	8,857	17,658	14,400	14,400	35,180	30,300	29,010	30,000	30,000	84,115
Germany.		24,000	24,000	24,000	24,000	11,440	11,440	9,840	9,340	9,500	9,500	293,830
Switzerland.						35,180	35,180	14,000	15,000	15,000	14,000	61,000
Scandinavia: Norway.		14,470	14,345	13,785	15,232	11,440	15,142	14,000	15,000	15,000	14,000	61,000
Sweden.		21,949	22,082	23,048	20,016	20,492	20,492	25,068	25,068	25,068	25,068	255,583
Denmark.		9,432	9,432	10,000	10,756	20,031	8,362	8,362	8,362	8,362	8,570	71,318
India: North India.		62,640	65,320	64,671	71,200	73,202	82,000	71,500	71,500	72,700	79,000	714,283
South India.			1,000	2,500	12,500	35,000	27,490	18,300	20,300	21,000	22,600	164,850
Bengal.												108,519
Malaysia.												29,250
Bulgaria and Turkey.		16,504	15,482	12,876	14,166	16,729	21,054	19,220	18,120	19,370	22,000	175,521
Russia.		23,500	38,750	52,337	29,738	46,453	59,592	47,000	46,085	41,135	43,634	403,810
Mexico.		32,895	34,782	43,038	49,477	59,592	52,000	53,403	53,203	53,203	59,000	471,390
Japan.		35,667	34,936	54,800	50,836	58,860	60,166	58,198	61,666	61,666	68,000	514,377
Korea.			5,000	9,311	17,022	17,022	18,266	16,104	15,074	15,924	17,562	123,363
Lower California.		8,000	7,500	7,500	7,500	8,000	8,500	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	4,000
Upper California.		3,000	3,000	4,500	4,500	5,000	6,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	76,443
Alaska Hills.		4,800	4,800	4,800	4,800	5,000	5,525	5,525	5,525	5,525	5,525	50,301
California (German).		2,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	2,000	3,000	4,675	4,675	4,680	5,000	46,810
Indian Mission (Conference).		3,000	3,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	5,000	2,700	3,700	3,951	10,000	30,451
Nevada.		12,500	13,800	6,000	6,000	8,200	8,200	4,250	4,250	4,513	5,050	40,363
New Mexico (English).				10,000	13,150	14,500	16,000	13,700	12,200	6,943	7,500	83,243
New Mexico (Spanish).				1,200	1,200	1,200	1,400	13,700	13,700	13,580	14,000	108,640
New Pacific (German).		1,500	1,500	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,400	2,800	4,800	4,464	5,000	28,464
North-west Norwegian and Danish.		5,500	6,500					2,800	4,800	5,289	5,800	31,721
Utah.		12,500	12,625	14,500	19,550	21,500	24,072	24,072	23,840	22,415	17,000	193,363
Wyoming.												23,196
Vish Missions: Northern New York.		200	200	200	200	400	600	400	600	397	600	3,127
Philadelphia.												1,000
Rock River.												2,000
Wisconsin.												2,000
Wyoming.												2,000
Scandinavian Missions: Austin (Swed.).												2,000
California (Norwegian).		700	2,200	1,600	2,000	3,500	4,275	500	2,950	2,678	2,700	22,958
Colorado (Swedish).		1,500		2,000	2,000	2,000	1,000	1,000	1,170	1,161	1,500	11,031
Columbia River (Swedish).				500	500	500	2,200	1,870	2,000	1,738	1,500	16,806
Louisiana (Swedish).					600	650	1,000	500	500	496	500	3,968
Minnesota (Finnish).							1,000	900	750	744	750	2,900
New England (Swedish).		1,500	2,200	2,500	2,700	2,700	5,200	3,400	3,400	496	4,500	29,472

New England Southern (Swedish).....	1,000	1,400	2,000	1,300	1,300	1,785	1,300	11,485
New York (Swedish).....	1,600	2,100	2,400	1,000	1,000	892	1,000	3,902
New York East (Swedish).....	2,000	2,100	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,381	2,000	20,981
New York East (Norwegian).....	7,500	9,500	10,500	1,700	1,700	1,686	2,200	19,586
Norwegian and Danish.....	7,300	8,000	8,500	9,500	9,500	9,422	11,000	89,422
Oregon (Scandinavian).....	1,200	1,200	1,200	8,500	8,500	8,778	9,000	69,423
Philadelphia (Swedish).....	1,200	1,200	1,200	7,800	7,800	7,800	1,000	1,902
Puget Sound (Swedish).....	1,200	1,200	1,600	800	800	1,587	2,500	10,087
Southern California (Swedish).....	200	700	1,800	700	700	1,190	1,500	4,890
Troy (Swedish).....	300	300	300	300	300	290	6,700	9,700
Utah (Scandinavian).....	300	300	300	300	300	4,494	5,000	48,394
German Missions: Central German.....	3,500	4,000	5,000	4,800	4,800	3,472	4,250	29,702
Chicago German.....	3,500	4,000	4,000	3,850	3,850	5,852	6,500	61,752
Columbia River German.....	800	1,700	2,000	6,000	6,000	3,045	4,000	19,020
East German.....	6,000	6,500	6,500	3,200	3,200	4,285	4,000	46,465
North-west German.....	5,500	2,700	3,200	3,175	3,175	5,852	4,000	19,020
Southern German.....	5,500	10,000	8,000	3,800	3,800	5,455	5,500	70,524
Saint Louis German.....	7,000	4,500	4,500	4,000	4,000	3,819	4,000	40,660
Puget Sound German.....	4,000	6,500	7,500	6,950	6,950	6,894	7,000	65,344
West German.....	1,000	1,300	1,400	800	800	1,339	1,700	8,639
French Missions: Central Illinois.....	1,000	900	1,500	1,350	1,350	1,190	1,200	3,590
Louisiana.....	500	300	400	800	800	784	1,200	3,994
New England.....	.....	300	1,100	3,000	1,200	1,190	1,200	7,990
New England Southern.....	.....	.....	1,000	1,200	1,200	1,100	500	4,500
*New Hampshire.....	.....	.....	.....	400	400	387	1,475	2,170
New York.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	695	595	1,895
North-west Indiana.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,000
Rock River.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	800
Troy.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7,537
Portuguese: California.....	500	700	8,246	1,000	1,000	993	500	2,000
New England Southern.....	9,000	8,750	500	1,000	1,000	405	500	11,245
Chinese Missions: California.....	10,120	11,000	500	1,000	1,000	.....	500	2,000
New York.....	500	500	500	500	500	.....	500	2,000
New York East.....	2,500	1,300	1,400	1,200	1,200	.....	500	2,000
Oregon.....	.....	1,200	2,000	5,050	4,545	4,060	5,000	31,255
Rock River.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,985	2,000	6,185
Southern California.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	892	800	1,300
Japanese Missions: California.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,069	1,000	7,418
Sandwich Islands: California.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	624	600	6,668
American Indians: California.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	793	500	4,343
Central New York.....	500	500	700	684	702	620	600	7,268
Columbia River.....	200	1,000	1,200	1,069	1,069	620	500	500
Detroit.....	300	700	700	624	624	.....	500	500
Genesee.....	300	450	450	400	400	.....	500	500
Michigan.....	800	800	700	624	624	.....	500	500
Minnesota.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	500	500
Montana.....	2,500	1,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	500	500
Navajo Mission.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	500	500
Northern New York.....	350	500	900	624	624	.....	2,500	2,500
Oregon.....	250	500	.....	.....	.....	619	800	5,967

\* Including appropriations for South California German until 1889.  
a. Appropriations for New Mexico Spanish included until 1885.

† Including appropriations for Oregon German until 1889.  
‡ Appropriations for 1888 and 1889 include New England and Troy.

APPROPRIATIONS TO MISSIONS AND CONFERENCES—Continued.

MISSIONS.	1883.	1884.	1885.	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.	1891.	1892.	Total.
Puget Sound.....	200	200	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$400	\$357	\$357	\$354	\$350	\$3,218
<i>Burmian and Hungarian: Baltimore.</i>	.....	.....	200	200	400	200	178	200	297	300	2,372
East Ohio.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	500	.....	.....	500	594	600	1,694
Pittsburg.....	.....	.....	.....	1,000	.....	500	1,000	1,220	1,983	2,000	8,203
Rock River.....	.....	.....	.....	1,800	1,000	1,500	1,250	1,500	1,240	1,250	8,500
<i>Italian: Louisiana.</i>	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,000	1,250	700	1,500	1,983	3,000	12,490
New York.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,000	3,895	1,300	3,895
Philadelphia.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,000	992	1,000	3,992
Rock River.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,289	1,500	2,789
<i>Various Foreign Populations: Phila.</i>	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	950	.....	950
CONFERENCES.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,000	3,400	.....	.....	7,400
Alabama.....	\$2,250	\$2,250	\$2,250	2,250	2,400	2,400	3,988	3,500	2,472	3,500	30,290
Arkansas.....	4,500	4,500	6,500	5,000	6,000	7,000	6,500	6,500	5,951	6,000	56,451
Austin.....	7,250	7,500	6,500	6,500	6,000	7,000	5,923	6,000	4,955	5,000	63,628
Blue Ridge.....	8,500	8,000	3,000	6,500	4,000	5,000	4,000	5,000	4,464	4,500	43,964
California.....	8,500	8,500	8,500	8,500	4,000	4,500	3,938	4,500	6,455	8,000	44,955
Central Alabama.....	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	3,500	4,000	3,938	3,400	3,370	3,400	31,608
Central Missouri.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,500	3,000	3,150	3,150	3,124	3,800	18,724
Central Tennessee.....	3,500	3,500	3,500	4,000	4,000	4,500	4,000	4,000	3,670	3,700	38,870
Colorado.....	5,400	5,900	6,000	6,000	9,600	10,500	9,100	9,100	9,027	9,100	79,727
Columbia River.....	6,000	6,500	4,250	4,500	5,500	6,250	5,500	5,500	5,455	6,500	55,955
Dakota.....	5,500	13,525	13,525	15,000	15,000	15,000	12,750	10,375	11,233	10,500	122,433
Delaware.....	1,200	1,500	1,200	1,200	1,000	1,000	850	850	992	1,250	10,863
Des Moines.....	3,500	4,000	3,500	3,500	7,000	7,000	6,000	5,500	4,952	1,000	1,992
Detroit.....	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,984	4,500	49,459
East Maine.....	1,750	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,200	2,500	3,988	3,000	2,777	2,800	23,484
East Tennessee.....	3,500	3,500	3,500	4,000	2,200	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,580	2,500	24,385
Florida.....	4,000	4,000	4,000	3,500	4,000	4,000	3,982	3,500	3,224	2,500	28,980
Georgia.....	3,000	3,500	3,000	3,000	4,000	4,000	4,500	4,500	4,364	4,500	33,964
Illinois.....	3,000	3,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	4,000	4,500	4,500	3,472	3,500	26,172
Iowa.....	2,500	2,800	2,500	3,250	4,000	4,000	1,800	3,600	2,082	1,800	20,582
Kansas.....	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,500	5,000	5,000	5,455	5,500	51,455
Kentucky.....	2,700	3,000	2,700	2,700	3,000	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,273	3,500	30,873
Louisiana.....	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,250	3,500	3,250	3,250	3,224	3,250	31,724
Maine.....	6,000	6,500	5,500	5,500	6,000	6,500	5,500	5,706	5,950	6,000	58,156
Michigan.....	3,000	3,500	3,000	3,000	6,000	6,000	5,100	4,600	.....	1,500	1,500
Minnesota.....	9,000	10,000	9,000	7,000	8,000	8,500	9,300	6,000	4,464	4,500	43,164
Mississippi.....	5,500	5,500	5,750	5,750	6,000	7,000	6,000	6,000	9,225	11,000	87,325
Missouri.....	8,000	8,000	8,000	3,500	3,500	4,500	4,000	4,000	5,950	5,000	56,050
Montana.....	11,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,500	11,500	10,000	10,000	3,968	4,000	39,468
Nebraska.....	3,300	3,300	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,300	2,800	2,800	9,920	10,500	108,420
.....	3,300	3,300	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,300	2,800	2,800	2,777	2,800	30,077

New Hampshire.....	2,700	3,000	1,200	1,200	1,100	1,200	1,190	1,500	8,590
North Carolina.....	2,500	6,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,600	3,572	3,600	32,772
North Dakota.....	2,500	3,000	9,000	9,500	8,500	10,375	10,202	10,000	71,167
North Nebraska.....	2,500	3,000	4,500	5,500	5,800	5,800	5,753	6,000	43,353
Northern New York.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	1,190	1,500	3,890
North-west Iowa.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	3,273	3,500	33,973
North-west Kansas.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	6,943	7,000	58,943
Oregon.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	1,984	3,000	23,184
Puget Sound.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	4,939	3,000	43,639
Saint John's River.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	2,472	3,000	20,072
Saint Louis.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	5,455	3,500	47,955
Savannah.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	2,430	3,500	32,430
South Carolina.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	4,465	3,500	55,394
Southern California.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	6,447	3,500	55,394
South Kansas.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	2,250	3,500	22,250
South-west Kansas.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	2,250	3,500	22,250
Tennessee.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	2,976	3,500	40,951
Texas.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	3,968	3,500	30,176
Upper Mississippi.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	4,385	3,500	42,420
Vermont.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	1,190	3,400	3,400
Virginia.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	4,465	3,500	11,890
Washington.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	2,180	3,500	51,465
West Nebraska.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	9,423	2,400	24,180
West Texas.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	3,968	10,000	84,063
West Virginia.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	5,455	3,500	43,073
West Wisconsin.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	4,115	3,500	42,455
Wisconsin.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	1,289	1,000	34,890
Miscellaneous.....	2,500	3,000	3,500	4,000	3,600	3,600	4,464	1,000	10,480
Grand total.....	\$745,849	\$782,297	\$909,115	\$1,080,823	\$1,201,819	\$1,122,369	\$1,131,995	\$1,225,367	\$10,129,564



# OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MISSIONS.

## FOREIGN MISSIONS.

MISSIONS.	SUPERINTENDENT OR CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.	TREASURER.	BISHOP IN CHARGE.	CORRESPONDING SECRETARY IN CHARGE.
Africa.....	Bishop Taylor.....	Bishop Taylor.....	William Taylor.....	C. C. McCabe.
South America.....	C. W. Dreses.....	C. W. Dreses.....	H. W. Warren.....	A. B. Leonard.
Foochow.....	W. H. Lacy, Cor. Sec.....	G. B. Smyth.....	C. C. McCabe.	C. C. McCabe.
Central China.....	Leslie Stevens.....	J. C. Ferguson.....	C. H. Fowler.....	C. C. McCabe.
North China.....	H. H. Lowry.....	H. H. Lowry.....	J. N. Fitzgerald.....	C. C. McCabe.
West China.....	Spencer Lewis.....	S. A. Smith.....	D. A. Goodsell.....	C. C. McCabe.
Germany.....	A. Sulzberger, Cor. Sec.....	A. Rodemeyer.....	J. M. Walden.....	A. B. Leonard.
Switzerland.....	H. T. Breiler, Cor. Sec.....	A. Rodemeyer.....	J. H. Vincent.....	A. B. Leonard.
Sweden.....	M. Hansen, Cor. Sec.....	J. P. Larsson.....	E. W. Joyce.....	A. B. Leonard.
Norway.....	M. Hansen, Cor. Sec.....	C. Tordjussen.....	D. A. Goodsell.....	A. B. Leonard.
Denmark.....	J. J. Christensen.....	J. J. Christensen.....	J. P. Newman.....	A. B. Leonard.
North India.....	E. W. Parker, Cor. Sec.....	J. W. Waugh.....	J. M. Thoburn.....	A. B. Leonard.
South India.....	J. E. Robinson, Cor. Sec.....	J. W. Waugh.....	J. M. Thoburn.....	J. O. Peck.
Bengal.....	P. M. Buck, Cor. Sec.....	J. W. Waugh.....	J. M. Thoburn.....	J. O. Peck.
Malaysia.....	J. C. Floyd.....	B. F. West.....	J. M. Thoburn.....	J. O. Peck.
Bulgaria.....	G. S. Davis.....	G. S. Davis.....	W. F. Mallalieu.....	J. O. Peck.
Italy.....	William Burt.....	William Burt.....	E. G. Andrews.....	J. O. Peck.
Japan.....	H. W. Swartz, Cor. Sec.....	Charles Bishop.....	S. M. Merrill.....	A. B. Leonard.
Mexico.....	J. W. Butler.....	J. W. Butler.....	J. F. Hurst.....	A. B. Leonard.
Korea.....	H. G. Appenzeller.....	W. B. Scranton, Acting.....	W. X. Ninde.....	A. B. Leonard.

## DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

MISSIONS.	SUPERINTENDENT.	P.-O. ADDRESS.	BISHOP IN CHARGE.	CORRESPONDING SECRETARY IN CHARGE.
Arizona.....	G. F. Bovard.....	Prescott, Ariz.....	W. F. Mallalieu.....	C. C. McCabe.
Black Hills.....	J. B. Carns.....	Rapid City, S. Dak.....	S. M. Merrill.....	C. C. McCabe.
California German.....	C. F. Affeltbach.....	San Jose, Cal.....	W. F. Mallalieu.....	J. O. Peck.
Indian Mission.....	B. C. Swarts.....	Arkansas City, Kan.....	J. P. Newman.....	A. B. Leonard.
Navajo.....	F. A. Rignin.....	Fort Defiance, Ariz.....	Thomas Bowman.....	A. B. Leonard.
Nevada.....	E. W. Van Deventer.....	Reno, Nev.....	Thomas Bowman.....	C. C. McCabe.
New Mexico, English.....	C. L. Bovard.....	Albuquerque, N. Mex.....	W. F. Mallalieu.....	C. C. McCabe.
New Mexico, Spanish.....	Thomas Harwood.....	Socorro, N. Mex.....	W. F. Mallalieu.....	C. C. McCabe.
North Pacific German.....	George Hartung.....	Albina, Ore.....	J. N. Fitzgerald.....	J. O. Peck.
North-west Norwegian and Danish.....	C. J. Larsen.....	Portland, Ore.....	J. N. Fitzgerald.....	A. B. Leonard.
Utah.....	T. C. Iliff.....	Salt Lake, Utah.....	E. G. Andrews.....	C. C. McCabe.
Wyoming.....	D. L. Rader.....	Cheyenne, Wyo.....	E. G. Andrews.....	J. O. Peck.

## *Order for Making Appropriations.*

[Adopted by the General Missionary Committee of 1891.]

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### I.—GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS.

1. The total appropriation for all purposes, except the liquidation of debt, shall be first determined. At the close of all other appropriations an appropriation for the liquidation of debt may be added.

2. Appropriations shall next be made for office expenses, for publications, for contingent and incidental funds, and for other charges on the treasury not properly embraced in appropriations to particular missions.

3. The sum of the appropriations made under Rule 2 shall then be deducted from the appropriation made under Rule 1, and the remainder shall then be divided according to the judgment of the General Committee between foreign missions and missions in the United States, and the sums thus appropriated to each of these two classes of missions shall neither be increased nor diminished except by a vote of a majority of all members present and voting, and said number of persons voting shall not be less than thirty-five; and such a vote shall not be in order until the formal consideration of each class of foreign missions and missions in the United States shall have been had.

### II.—APPROPRIATIONS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

4. The several foreign missions shall be successively considered for the purpose only of fixing the sum necessary for all purposes, exclusive of property.

5. The foreign missions shall then be again considered with a view to make appropriations for the purchase of property, for building, and for extraordinary repairs.

6. The Corresponding Secretaries are hereby instructed to present together all the recommendations of the Standing Committees of the Board having in charge the several foreign missions in a manner which shall clearly distinguish the items properly belonging to the two classes of appropriations noted in Rules 4 and 5.

### III.—APPROPRIATIONS FOR MISSIONS IN THE UNITED STATES.

7. These missions shall be distributed into eight classes, as follows:

(1) Non-English speaking, including the Spanish work in New Mexico and elsewhere, and excluding the American Indians.

(2) The American Indians.

N. B.—The following classes are English speaking :

(3) Conferences in States north of the Potomac and Ohio Rivers, and east of the Mississippi River.

(4) Conferences in Iowa and Kansas, and in States north of them ; and also the Black Hills Mission Conference and the Indian Mission Conference.

(5) White work in the South, Maryland and Delaware excepted.

(6) Colored work, mostly in the South.

(7) Work in the mountain region.

(8) Work on the Pacific coast, including Columbia River Conference.

8. Appropriations proposed for each Conference and mission contained in these classes shall be severally considered and determined in order by the General Missionary Committee.

#### IV.—ORDER OF APPROPRIATIONS, AMENDMENTS, ETC.

9. The appropriations for missions in the United States shall be first considered this year, and the appropriations for foreign missions shall be first considered next year, and thus they shall alternate from year to year.

10. The Rules of the General Conference, so far as they apply, shall be the rules of the General Missionary Committee, but the time allowed to any speaker shall not exceed ten minutes unless it shall be extended by action of the General Missionary Committee.

11. Any of these rules may be suspended by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting.

# ORDER OF BUSINESS

## AT THE MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS.

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1. Reading the Scriptures and Prayer.
2. Reading the Minutes of previous meeting.
3. Treasurer's Monthly Statement.
4. Report of Corresponding Secretaries.
5. Reports of Standing Committees :
  1. Africa.
  2. South America and Mexico.
  3. China.
  4. Japan and Korea.
  5. Self-supporting Missions.
  6. Europe.
  7. India.
  8. Domestic Missions.
  9. Finance.
  10. Lands and Legacies.
  11. Publications.
  12. Woman's Mission Work.
  13. Estimates.
  14. Nominations and General Reference.
  15. Apportionments.
  16. Audits.
6. Reports of Special Committees.
7. Unfinished Business.
8. Miscellaneous Business.
9. Benediction and Adjournment.













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